

# Contributions in combinatorics in commutative algebra

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## Abstract

In the first chapter we present new results related on monomial ideals of Borel type. Also, we introduce a new class of monomial ideals, called  $\mathbf{d}$ -fixed ideals, which generalize the class of  $p$ -Borel ideals and we extend several results to this new class. In section 1.2 we extend a result of Eisenbud-Reeves-Totaro in the frame of ideals of Borel type. This allows us to obtain some nice consequences related to the regularity of the Borel type ideals. In section 1.3 we introduce a new class of ideals, called strong Borel type ideals, and we compute the Mumford-Castelnuovo regularity for a special case of strong Borel type ideals. In the sections 1.4, 1.5 and 1.6 we show how some results for  $p$ -Borel ideals can be transferred to  $\mathbf{d}$ -fixed ideals. In particular, we give the form of a principal  $\mathbf{d}$ -fixed ideal and we compute the socle of factors of these ideals, using methods similar as in [23], see section 1.5. This allows us to give a generalization of Pardue's formula, i.e. a formula of the regularity for a principal  $\mathbf{d}$ -fixed ideal, see section 1.6. In the last section of the first chapter, we describe the  $\mathbf{d}$ -fixed ideals generated by powers of variables.

In the second chapter, we compute the generic initial ideal, with respect to the reverse lexicographic order, of an ideal which define a complete intersection of embedding dimension three with strong Lefschetz property and we show that it is an almost reverse lexicographic ideal, see sections 2.2 and 2.3. This enable us to give a proof for Moreno's conjecture in the case  $n = 3$  and characteristic zero, see section 2.1. In section 2.4 we prove that the  $d$ -component of the generic initial ideal, with respect to the reverse lexicographic order, of an ideal generated by a regular sequence of homogeneous polynomials of degree  $d$  is revlex, in a particular, but important, case. Using this property, in section 2.5 we compute the generic initial ideal for several complete intersections with strong Lefschetz property.

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# Introduction

In the first chapter, we prove a stable property for monomial ideals of Borel type and give some nice consequences. Also, we discuss issues related to  $\mathbf{d}$ -fixed ideals, a new class of ideals which generalize the class of  $p$ -Borel ideals. In order to explain the context, we need some preparations.

Let  $K$  be an infinite field, and let  $S = K[x_1, \dots, x_n]$ ,  $n \geq 2$  the polynomial ring over  $K$ . Bayer and Stillman [5] note that a Borel fixed ideal  $I \subset S$  satisfies the following property:

$$(*) \quad (I : x_j^\infty) = (I : (x_1, \dots, x_j)^\infty) \text{ for all } j = 1, \dots, n.$$

Herzog, Popescu and Vladioiu [23] say that a monomial ideal  $I$  is of *Borel type*, if it satisfy (\*). We mention that this concept appears also in [6] as the so called *weakly stable ideal*. Herzog, Popescu and Vladioiu proved in [23] that  $I$  is of Borel type, if and only if for any monomial  $u \in I$  and for any  $1 \leq j < i \leq n$  and  $q > 0$  with  $x_i^q | u$ , there exists an integer  $t > 0$  such that  $x_j^t u / x_i^q \in I$ . In the first section, we present some facts on ideals of Borel type, following [23]. In the second section we prove that if  $I$  is an ideal of Borel type, then  $I_{\geq e}$  = the ideal generated by the monomials of degree  $\geq e$  from  $I$ , is stable whenever  $e \geq \text{reg}(I)$  (Theorem 1.2.10). This allows us to give a generalization of a result of Eisenbud-Reeves-Totaro (Corollary 1.2.11). Also, we prove that the regularity of a product of ideals of Borel type is bounded by the sum of the regularity of those ideals (Theorem 1.2.15). In the third section, we introduce a new class of ideals, called ideals of strong Borel type and we compute the regularity of a principal strong Borel type ideal in a special case (1.3.6).

A  $p$ -Borel ideal is a monomial ideal which satisfies certain combinatorial condition, where  $p > 0$  is a prime number. It is well known that any positive integer  $a$  has an unique  $p$ -adic decomposition  $a = \sum_{i \geq 0} a_i p^i$ . If  $a, b$  are two positive integers, we write  $a \leq_p b$  iff  $a_i \leq b_i$  for any  $i$ , where  $a = \sum_{i \geq 0} a_i p^i$  and  $b = \sum_{i \geq 0} b_i p^i$ . We say that a monomial ideal  $I \subset S = K[x_1, \dots, x_n]$  is  $p$ -Borel if for any monomial  $u \in I$  and for any indices  $j < i$ , if  $t \leq_p \nu_i(u)$  then  $x_j^t u / x_i^t \in I$ , where  $\nu_i(u) = \max\{k : x_i^k | u\}$ .

This definition suggests a natural generalization. The idea is to consider a strictly increasing sequence of positive integers  $\mathbf{d} : 1 = d_0 | d_1 | \dots | d_s$ , which we called a  $\mathbf{d}$ -sequence. Lemma 1.4.1 states that for any positive integer  $a$ , there exists an unique decomposition  $a = \sum_{i=0}^s a_i d_i$  with  $0 \leq a_i < d_{i+1}/d_i$  for any  $i$ . If  $a, b$  are two positive integers, we write  $a \leq_{\mathbf{d}} b$  iff  $a_i \leq b_i$  for any  $i$ , where  $a = \sum_{i=0}^s a_i d_i$  and  $b = \sum_{i=0}^s b_i d_i$ . We say that a monomial ideal  $I \subset S$  is  $\mathbf{d}$ -fixed if for any monomial  $u \in I$  and for any indices  $j < i$ , if  $t \leq_{\mathbf{d}} \nu_i(u)$  then  $x_j^t u / x_i^t \in I$ . Obviously, the  $p$ -Borel ideals are a special case of  $\mathbf{d}$ -fixed ideals for  $\mathbf{d} : 1 | p | p^2 | \dots$ .

A principal  $\mathbf{d}$ -fixed ideal, is the smallest  $\mathbf{d}$ -fixed ideal which contains a given monomial. 1.4.8 and 1.4.11 give the explicit form of a principal  $\mathbf{d}$ -fixed ideal. In section 1.5 we compute the socle of factors for a principal  $\mathbf{d}$ -fixed ideal (1.5.1 and 1.5.4). The proofs are similar as in [23] but we consider that is necessary to present them in this context.

In the section 1.6 we give a formula (Theorem 1.6.1) for the regularity of a principal  $\mathbf{d}$ -fixed ideal  $I$ , which generalize the Pardue's formula for the regularity of principal  $p$ -Borel ideals, proved by Aramova-Herzog [3] and Herzog-Popescu [24]. Using a theorem of Popescu [29] we compute the extremal Betti numbers of  $S/I$  (1.6.3). S.Ahmad and I.Anwar proved in [1] than any ideal of Borel type has the regularity bounded by the number  $q(I) = m(I)(\deg(I) - 1) + 1$ , where  $m(I) = \max\{i : x_i|u \text{ for some } u \in G(I)\}$ ,  $\deg(I) = \max\{\deg(u) : u \in G(I)\}$  and  $G(I)$  is the set of minimal monomial generators of  $I$ . As a consequence of Pardue's formula, we obtain another proof of this result in the particular case of  $\mathbf{d}$ -fixed ideals (Corollary 1.6.2). Also, we introduce a new class of monomial ideals, called  $\mathcal{D}$ -fixed ideals, which are sums of various  $\mathbf{d}$ -fixed ideals. Since any  $\mathbf{d}$ -fixed ideal is in particular, an ideal of Borel type, it follows that Theorem 1.2.10 can be applied for them, so we get Corollary 1.6.6. This result was first obtain by Herzog-Popescu [24] in the special case of a principal  $p$ -Borel ideal. In the last section we give the explicit form of a  $\mathbf{d}$ -fixed ideal generated by powers of variables (Proposition 1.7.2) and make some remarks on its regularity.

In the second chapter, we discuss issues related to the generic initial ideal of an ideal generated by a regular sequence of homogeneous polynomials.

Let  $S = K[x_1, x_2, x_3]$  be the polynomial ring over a field  $K$  of characteristic zero. Let  $f_1, f_2, f_3$  be a regular sequence of homogeneous polynomials of degrees  $d_1, d_2$  and  $d_3$  respectively. We consider the ideal  $I = (f_1, f_2, f_3) \subset S$ . Obviously,  $S/I$  is a complete intersection Artinian  $K$ -algebra. One can easily check that the Hilbert series of  $S/I$  depends only on the numbers  $d_1, d_2$  and  $d_3$ . More precisely,

$$H(S/I, t) = (1 + t + \cdots + t^{d_1-1})(1 + t + \cdots + t^{d_2-1})(1 + t + \cdots + t^{d_3-1}).$$

[23, Lemma 2.9] gives an explicit form of  $H(S/I, t)$ .

Let  $S = K[x_1, \dots, x_n]$  and let  $I = (f_1, \dots, f_n) \subset S$  be an ideal generated by a regular sequence of homogeneous polynomials. We say that a homogeneous polynomial  $f$  of degree  $d$  is *semiregular* for  $S/I$  if the maps  $(S/I)_t \xrightarrow{f} (S/I)_{t+d}$  are either injective, either surjective for all  $t \geq 0$ . We say that  $S/I$  has the *weak Lefschetz property* (WLP) if there exists a linear form  $\ell \in S$ , semiregular on  $S/I$ , in which case we say that  $\ell$  is a weak Lefschetz element for  $S/I$ . A theorem of Harima-Migliore-Nagel-Watanabe (see [20]) states that  $S/I$  has (WLP) for  $n = 3$ . We say that  $S/I$  has the *strong Lefschetz property* (SLP) if there exists a linear form  $\ell \in S$  such that  $\ell^b$  is semiregular on  $S/I$  for all integer  $b \geq 1$ . In this case, we say that  $\ell$  is a strong Lefschetz element for  $S/I$ . Of course,  $(SLP) \Rightarrow (WLP)$  but the converse is not true in general. In the case  $n = 3$ , it is not known if  $S/I$  has (SLP) for any regular sequence of homogeneous polynomials  $f_1, f_2, f_3$ . However, this is known true for certain cases, for example, when  $f_1, f_2, f_3$  is generic, see [27] or when  $f_2 \in K[x_2, x_3]$  and  $f_3 \in K[x_3]$ , see [21] and [22].

We say that a property  $(P)$  holds for a *generic* sequence of homogeneous polynomials  $f_1, f_2, \dots, f_n \in S = K[x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n]$  of given degrees  $d_1, d_2, \dots, d_n$  if there exists a nonempty open Zariski subset  $U \subset S_{d_1} \times S_{d_2} \times \dots \times S_{d_n}$  such that for every  $(f_1, f_2, \dots, f_n) \in U$  the property  $(P)$  holds. For example, a generic sequence of homogeneous polynomials  $f_1, f_2, \dots, f_n \in S$  is regular.

Now, we present some conjectures and the relations between them (see [27]).

**Conjecture A.**(Fröberg) If  $f_1, f_2, \dots, f_r \in S = K[x_1, \dots, x_n]$  is a generic sequence of homogeneous polynomials of given degrees  $d_1, d_2, \dots, d_r$  and  $I = (f_1, f_2, \dots, f_r)$  then the Hilbert series of  $S/I$  is

$$H(S/I) = \left| \frac{\prod_{i=1}^r (1 - t^{d_i})}{(1 - t)^n} \right|,$$

where  $|\sum_{j \geq 0} a_j t^j| = \sum_{j \geq 0} b_j t^j$ , with  $b_j = a_j$  if  $a_i > 0$  for all  $i \leq j$  and  $b_j = 0$  otherwise.

**Conjecture B.** If  $f_1, f_2, \dots, f_n \in S = K[x_1, \dots, x_n]$  is a generic sequence of homogeneous polynomials of given degrees  $d_1, d_2, \dots, d_n$  and  $I = (f_1, \dots, f_n)$  then  $x_n, x_{n-1}, \dots, x_1$  is a semi-regular sequence on  $A = S/I$ , i.e.  $x_i$  is semiregular on  $A/(x_n, \dots, x_{i+1})$  for all  $1 \leq i \leq n$ .

**Conjecture C.** If  $f_1, f_2, \dots, f_n \in S = K[x_1, \dots, x_n]$  is a generic sequence of homogeneous polynomials of given degrees  $d_1, d_2, \dots, d_n$ ,  $I = (f_1, \dots, f_n)$  and  $J$  is the initial ideal of  $I$  with respect to the revlex order, then  $x_n, x_{n-1}, \dots, x_1$  is a semi-regular sequence on  $A = S/(f_1, \dots, f_n)$ .

**Conjecture D.**(Moreno) If  $f_1, f_2, \dots, f_n \in S = K[x_1, \dots, x_n]$  is a generic sequence of homogeneous polynomials of given degrees  $d_1, d_2, \dots, d_n$ ,  $I = (f_1, \dots, f_n)$  and  $J$  is the initial ideal of  $I$  with respect to the revlex order, then  $J$  is an almost revlex ideal, i.e. if  $u \in J$  is a minimal generator of  $J$  then every monomial of the same degree which precedes  $u$  must be in  $J$  as well.

Pardue proved in [27] that if conjecture A is true for some positive integer  $n$  then the conjecture B is true for the same  $n$ . Also, conjecture C is true for  $n$  if and only if B is true for  $n$  and if conjecture B is true for some  $r$  then A is true for  $n < r$  and exactly for that  $r$ . Also, if conjecture D is true for some  $n$  then B, and thus C, are true for the same  $n$ . Fröberg [19] and Anick [2] proved that A is true for  $n \leq 3$  and so B and C are true for  $n \leq 3$ . Moreno [26] remarked that D is true for  $n = 2$ . Note that Conjecture A for  $n = 3$  does not imply the Moreno's conjecture D for  $n = 3$ .

Let  $I \subset S = K[x_1, \dots, x_n]$  be a graded ideal, i.e. an ideal generated by homogeneous polynomials. We choose a monomial order " $\leq$ " on the set of monomials of  $S$ . If  $\alpha = (\alpha_{ij})$  is a  $n \times n$  invertible matrix with entries in  $K$  and  $f \in I$  is a polynomial, we denote by  $\alpha f$  the polynomial obtained from  $f$  by the changing of variables,  $x_i \mapsto \sum_{j=1}^n \alpha_{ij} x_j$  for all  $i = 1, \dots, n$ . We denote  $\alpha I = (\alpha f \mid f \in I)$ . Galligo and Bayer-Stillman proved that there exists a nonempty open Zariski subset  $U \in GL_n(K)$ , such that for any  $\alpha, \alpha' \in U$ ,  $in_{\leq}(\alpha I) = in_{\leq}(\alpha' I)$ . For an  $\alpha \in U$ , we denote  $in_{\leq}(\alpha I) := gin_{\leq}(I)$  and we called it the generic initial ideal of  $I$ , with respect to " $\leq$ ". For an introduction on generic initial ideal,

see [18, §15.9]. The generic initial ideal is Borel fixed. In the case of characteristic zero, that means that it is strongly stable and in the case of positive characteristic  $p$  that means it is  $p$ -Borel. This remark shows a connection between the two parts of my thesis.

Now, let  $I = (f_1, f_2, f_3) \subset S = K[x_1, x_2, x_3]$  an ideal generated by a regular sequence of homogeneous polynomials  $f_1, f_2, f_3$  of degrees  $d_1, d_2$  and  $d_3$ , respectively. Let  $J = \text{Gin}(I)$  be the generic initial ideal of  $I$ , with respect to the reverse lexicographic order. Our aim is to compute  $J$  for all regular sequences  $f_1, f_2, f_3$  of homogeneous polynomials of given degrees  $d_1, d_2, d_3$  such that  $S/I$  has (SLP). We will do this in the sections 2.2 and 2.3. These computations shown us in particular, that  $J$  depends only on the numbers  $d_1, d_2, d_3$  (this has been proved also by Popescu and Vladioiu in [31]) and more important, that  $J$  is an almost reverse lexicographic ideal (Theorem 2.1.1). As a consequence, conjecture Moreno (D) is true for  $n = 3$  and  $\text{char}(K) = 0$  (Theorem 2.1.2).

Now, let  $K$  be an algebraically closed field of characteristic zero. Let  $S = K[x_1, \dots, x_n]$  be the polynomial ring in  $n$  variables over  $K$ . Let  $n, d \geq 2$  be two integers. We consider  $I = (f_1, \dots, f_n) \subset S$  an ideal generated by a regular sequence  $f_1, \dots, f_n \in S$  of homogeneous polynomials of degree  $d$ . We say that  $A = S/I$  is a  $(n, d)$ -complete intersection. Let  $J = \text{Gin}(I)$  be the generic initial of  $I$ , with respect to the reverse lexicographic (revlex) order. With the above notations, Conca and Sidman [6] proved that  $J_d$  = the set of monomials of degree  $d$  of  $J$ , is revlex if  $f_1, \dots, f_n$  is a generic regular sequence, (see [6, Theorem 1.2]).

In the section 2.4, we prove that  $J_d$  is a revlex set in another case, namely, when  $f_i \in K[x_i, \dots, x_n]$  for all  $1 \leq i \leq n$ . It is likely to be true that  $J_d$  is revlex for any  $(n, d)$ -complete intersection, but we do not have the means to prove this assertion. As Example 2.4.10 shows, the hypotheses  $\text{char}(K) = 0$  and  $f_1, \dots, f_n$  is a regular sequence are essential.

In the section 2.5, we compute the generic initial ideal for some particular cases of  $(n, d)$ -complete intersections:  $(n = 4, d = 2)$ ,  $(n = 5, d = 2)$  and  $(n = 4, d = 3)$ . In order to do this, we suppose in addition that  $S/I$  has (SLP). Note that this property holds for generic complete intersection (see [27]) and for the case when  $f_i \in k[x_i, \dots, x_n]$ . Also, it was conjectured that (SLP) holds for any standard complete intersection. By a theorem of Wiebe [34],  $S/I$  has (WLP) (respectively (SLP)) if and only if  $x_n$  is a weak (respectively strong) Lefschetz element for  $S/J$ . This result is very important for our computations.

In the writing on this thesis, we used new results from our articles and preprints. In the section 1.2 we followed [10] and [13]. In the sections 1.4, 1.5 and 1.6 we followed [7] and [8]. In the sections 1.3 and 1.7 we used [12]. In the sections 2.1, 2.2 and 2.3 we followed [9] and in the sections 2.4 and 2.5 we followed [11], respectively.



# Chapter 1

## Ideals of Borel type and d-fixed ideals.

### 1.1 Ideals of Borel type.

Let  $K$  be a field and  $S = K[x_1, \dots, x_n]$  the ring of polynomials over  $K$ . Herzog, Popescu and Vlădoiu introduced in [23] the following definition.

**Definition 1.1.1.** *A monomial ideal  $I \subset k[x_1, \dots, x_n]$  is said to be of Borel type if*

$$(I : x_j^\infty) = (I : (x_1, \dots, x_j)^\infty), \text{ for any } j = 1, \dots, n.$$

We have the following equivalent characterization of ideals of Borel type.

**Proposition 1.1.2.** [23, Proposition 2.2] *Let  $I \subset S$  be a monomial ideal. The following conditions are equivalent:*

- (a)  *$I$  is an ideal of Borel type.*
- (b) *For any  $1 \leq j < i \leq n$ , we have  $(I : x_i^\infty) \subset (I : x_j^\infty)$ ;*
- (c) *Let  $u \in I$  be a monomial and suppose that  $x_i^q | u$  for some  $q > 0$ . Then for any  $j < i$  there exists an integer  $t$  such that  $x_j^t u / x_i^q \in I$ ;*
- (d) *Let  $u \in I$  be a monomial; then for any  $1 \leq j < i \leq n$ , there exists an integer  $t > 0$  such that  $x_j^t u / x_i^{\nu_i(u)} \in I$ .*

Moreover, it is easy to see that the conditions (c) and (d) are satisfied if and only if they are satisfied for all  $u \in G(I)$ .

*Proof.* (a)  $\Rightarrow$  (b) is trivial. For the converse, we use induction on  $1 \leq j \leq n$ , the assertion being obvious for  $j = 1$ . Suppose  $j < n$  and  $(I : x_j^\infty) = (I : (x_1, \dots, x_j)^\infty)$ . Since by (b),  $(I : x_{j+1}^\infty) \subset (I : x_j^\infty)$  it follows that  $(I : x_{j+1}^\infty) \subset (I : (x_1, \dots, x_j)^\infty)$  and thus  $(I : x_{j+1}^\infty) \subset (I : (x_1, \dots, x_{j+1})^\infty)$ . Since the converse inclusion it is obvious, we get the required conclusion.

(c)  $\Rightarrow$  (d) is trivial. For the converse, let  $u \in I$  be a monomial such that  $x_i^q | u$  for some  $q > 0$  and let  $j < i$ . By (d) there exists  $t$  such that  $x_j^t u / x_i^{\nu_i(u)} \in I$ . Therefore  $x_j^t u / x_i^q = x_i^{\nu_i(u)-q} x_j^t u / x_i^{\nu_i(u)} \in I$ .

(b)  $\Rightarrow$  (c): Let  $u \in I$  be a monomial such that  $x_i^q | u$  for some  $q > 0$  and let  $j < i$ . Then  $u = x_i^q v$  with  $v \in (I : x_i^\infty)$ . Therefore, there exists  $t$  such that  $x_j^t u / x_i^q = x_j^t v \in I$ .

(c)  $\Rightarrow$  (b): Let  $u \in (I : x_i^\infty)$  be a monomial. Then  $x_i^q u \in I$  for some  $q > 0$  and so (c) implies that  $x_j^t u \in I$  for some  $t$ , that is,  $u \in (I : x_j^\infty)$ .  $\square$

**Proposition 1.1.3.** (a) If  $I, J \subset S$  are two ideals of Borel type then  $I + J$ ,  $I \cap J$  and  $I \cdot J$  are also ideals of Borel type.

(b) If  $I \subset S$  is an ideal of Borel type and  $J \subset S$  is an arbitrary monomial ideal, then  $(I : J)$  is an ideal of Borel type.

*Proof.* (a) Since a monomial of  $I + J$  is either in  $I$ , either in  $J$  it follows immediately that  $I + J$  is of Borel type, using the characterization (d) from the previous proposition. A similar argument holds for  $I \cap J$ . Now, let  $u \in I \cdot J$  be a monomial. It follows that  $u = v \cdot w$ , where  $v \in I$  and  $w \in J$  are monomials. Let  $1 \leq i \leq n$  such that  $x_i | u$  and let  $1 \leq j < i$ . Since  $I$  is of Borel type, then there exists some  $t_1 \geq 0$  such that  $x_j^{t_1} \cdot v / x_i^{\nu_i(v)} \in I$ . Analogously, there exists some  $t_2 \geq 0$  such that  $x_j^{t_2} \cdot w / x_i^{\nu_i(w)} \in J$ . It follows that  $x_j^{t_1+t_2} u / x_i^{\nu_i(u)} \in I \cdot J$ , therefore  $I \cdot J$  is of Borel type.

(b) Suppose  $J = (v_1, \dots, v_m)$ , where  $v_i \in S$  are monomials. Since  $(I : J) = \bigcap_{k=1}^m (I : v_k)$  and the intersection of Borel type ideals is still of Borel type, we can assume  $m = 1$ . Denote  $v_1 := v$ . Let  $u \in (I : v)$  be a monomial. We have  $u \cdot v \in I$ . Let  $1 \leq i \leq n$  such that  $x_i | u$  and let  $1 \leq j < i$ . Since  $I$  is of Borel type, there exists some  $t \geq 0$  such that  $x_j^t u \cdot v / x_i^{\nu_i(uv)} \in I$ . In particular, multiplying by  $x_i^{\nu_i(v)}$ , it follows that  $v \cdot (x_j^t u / x_i^{\nu_i(u)}) \in I$  and thus  $x_j^t u / x_i^{\nu_i(u)} \in (I : v)$ . In conclusion,  $(I : v)$  is of Borel type, as required.  $\square$

We recall the following definition of Stanley, see [32].

**Definition 1.1.4.** Let  $S = k[x_1, \dots, x_n]$  and let  $M$  be a finitely generated graded  $S$ -module. The module  $M$  is sequentially Cohen-Macaulay if there exists a finite filtration  $0 = M_0 \subset M_1 \subset \dots \subset M_r = M$  of  $M$  by graded submodules of  $M$  such that:

- $M_i / M_{i-1}$  are Cohen-Macaulay for any  $i = 1, \dots, r$  and
- $\dim(M_1 / M_0) < \dim(M_2 / M_1) < \dots < \dim(M_r / M_{r-1})$ .

The above filtration is unique and is called the CM-filtration of  $M$

In particular, if  $I \subset S$  is a graded ideal then  $R = S/I$  is sequentially Cohen-Macaulay if there exists a chain of ideals  $I = I_0 \subset I_1 \subset \dots \subset I_r = S$  such that  $I_j / I_{j-1}$  are Cohen-Macaulay and  $\dim(I_j / I_{j-1}) < \dim(I_{j+1} / I_j)$  for any  $j = 1, \dots, r-1$ .

Let  $I \subset S$  be a monomial ideal. Recursively we define an ascending chain of monomial ideals as follows: We let  $I_0 := I$ . Suppose  $I_\ell$  is already defined. If  $I_\ell = S$  then the chain ends. Otherwise, let  $n_\ell = \max\{i : x_i | u \text{ for an } u \in G(I_\ell)\}$ . We set  $I_{\ell+1} := (I_\ell : x_{n_\ell}^\infty)$ . It is obvious that  $n_\ell > n_{\ell+1}$ , and therefore the chain  $I_0 \subset I_1 \subset \dots \subset I_r = S$  is finite and has length  $r \leq n$ . We call this chain of ideals, the *sequential chain* of  $I$ . Note that if  $I$  is an Artinian monomial ideal then  $r = 1$ . The converse is true for ideals of Borel type.

**Proposition 1.1.5.** [23, Corollary 2.5] *Let  $I$  be a monomial ideal of Borel type. Then  $R = S/I$  is sequentially Cohen-Macaulay.*

*Proof.* We may assume  $I \neq 0$ . Let  $I = I_0 \subset I_1 \subset \cdots \subset I_r = S$  be the sequential chain of  $I$ . Note that, inductively, we get that any ideal  $I_\ell$  is an ideal of Borel type, since  $I_{\ell+1}$  is a quotient of  $I_\ell$ . In particular,  $I_{\ell+1} = (I_\ell : (x_1, \dots, x_{n_\ell})^\infty)$  for all  $\ell$ . Fix an integer  $\ell < r$ . Let  $n_j = m(I_j)$  for all  $j$ , then the elements of  $G(I_j)$  belong to  $K[x_1, \dots, x_{n_\ell}]$  for all  $j \geq \ell$ . Let  $J_\ell$  be the ideal generated by  $G(I_\ell)$  in  $K[x_1, \dots, x_{n_\ell}]$ . Then the saturation  $J_\ell^{\text{sat}} = (J_\ell : (x_1, \dots, x_{n_\ell})^\infty)$  is generated by the elements of  $G(I_{\ell+1})$ . It follows that

$$I_{\ell+1}/I_\ell \cong (J_\ell^{\text{sat}}/J_\ell)[x_{n_\ell+1}, \dots, x_n]$$

is an  $(n - n_\ell)$ -dimensional Cohen-Macaulay  $S$ -module.  $\square$

Let  $M$  be a finitely generated graded  $S$ -module with the minimal graded free resolution  $0 \rightarrow F_s \rightarrow F_{s-1} \rightarrow \cdots \rightarrow F_0 \rightarrow M \rightarrow 0$ . Let  $\text{Syz}_t(M) = \text{Ker}(F_t \rightarrow F_{t-1})$ . The module  $M$  is called  $(r, t)$ -regular if  $\text{Syz}_t(M)$  is  $(r+t)$ -regular in the sense that all generators of  $F_j$  for  $t \leq j \leq s$  have degrees  $\leq j+r$ . The  $t$ -regularity of  $M$  is by definition  $(t - \text{reg})(M) = \min\{r \mid M \text{ is } (r, t)\text{-regular}\}$ . Obvious  $(t - \text{reg})(M) \leq ((t-1) - \text{reg})(M)$ . If the equality is strict and  $r = (t - \text{reg})(M)$  then  $(r, t)$  is called a corner of  $M$  and  $\beta_{t, r+t}(M)$  is an extremal Betti number of  $M$ , where  $\beta_{ij} = \dim_k \text{Tor}_i(k, M)_j$  denotes the  $ij$ -th graded Betti number of  $M$ . Later, we will use the following result of Popescu:

**Theorem 1.1.6.** [29, Theorem 3.2] *If  $I \subset S$  is a Borel type ideal, then  $S/I$  has at most  $r+1$ -corners among  $(n_\ell, s(J_\ell^{\text{sat}}/J_\ell))$  and the corresponding extremal Betti numbers are*

$$\beta_{n_\ell, s(J_\ell^{\text{sat}}/J_\ell) + n_\ell}(S/I) = \dim_k (J_\ell^{\text{sat}}/J_\ell)_{s(J_\ell^{\text{sat}}/J_\ell)}.$$

## 1.2 Stable properties of Borel type ideals.

It would be appropriate to recall the definition of the Castelnuovo-Mumford regularity. We refer the reader to [18] for further details on the subject.

**Definition 1.2.1.** *Let  $K$  be an infinite field, and let  $S = K[x_1, \dots, x_n]$ ,  $n \geq 2$  the polynomial ring over  $K$ . Let  $M$  be a finitely generated graded  $S$ -module. The Castelnuovo-Mumford regularity  $\text{reg}(M)$  of  $M$  is*

$$\max_{i,j} \{j - i : \beta_{ij}(M) \neq 0\}.$$

If  $M$  is an artinian  $S$ -module, we denote  $s(M) = \max\{t : M_t \neq 0\}$ . Herzog, Popescu and Vlădoiu proved the following formula for the regularity of an ideal of Borel type.

**Proposition 1.2.2.** [23, Corollary 2.7] *If  $I$  is a Borel type ideal, with the notations of the section 1.1, we have*

$$\text{reg}(I) = \max\{s(J_0^{\text{sat}}/J_0), \dots, s(J_{r-1}^{\text{sat}}/J_{r-1})\} + 1.$$

If  $I \subset S$  is a monomial ideal, we denote  $q(I) = m(I)(\deg(I) - 1) + 1$ , where  $m(I)$  is the maximal index of a variable which appear in a monomial from  $G(I)$  and  $\deg(I)$  is the maximal degree of a monomial from  $G(I)$ . We cite the following characterization of ideals of Borel type, given by S.Ahmad and I.Anwar.

**Theorem 1.2.3.** [1, Theorem 2.2] *Let  $I \subset S$  be a monomial ideal. Then the following statements are equivalent:*

1.  $I$  is an ideal of Borel type.
2. Each  $P \in \text{Ass}(S/I)$  has the form  $P = (x_1, x_2, \dots, x_r)$  for some  $1 \leq r \leq n$ .
3.  $I_{\geq q(I)}$  is stable.

**Remark 1.2.4.** Note that the implication (1)  $\Rightarrow$  (2) follows immediately from 1.1.3(b), since any prime  $P \in \text{Ass}(S/I)$  can be written as  $P = (I : u)$  for some monomial  $u \in S$ . Another proof is given in [25, Proposition 5.2].

We recall the following result of Eisenbud-Reeves-Totaro.

**Proposition 1.2.5.** [17, Proposition 12] *Let  $I$  be a monomial ideal with  $\deg(I) = d$  and let  $e \geq d$  such that  $I_{\geq e}$  is stable. Then  $\text{reg}(I) \leq e$ .*

**Corollary 1.2.6.** [1, Corollary 2.4] *If  $I$  is of Borel type then  $\text{reg}(I) \leq m(I)(\deg(I) - 1) + 1$ . The same holds for a monomial ideal  $I$  with  $\text{Ass}(S/I)$  totally ordered by inclusion.*

*Proof.* By the Theorem 1.2.3 we have  $I_{\geq q(I)}$  stable. As  $q(I) \geq \deg(I)$  we get  $\text{reg}(I) \leq q(I)$  by Proposition 1.2.5. For the second statement, we renumber the variables  $x_i$ 's such that  $I$  satisfies (2) from Theorem 1.2.3 and then apply the first statement.  $\square$

**Remark 1.2.7.** The number  $m(I) \cdot (\deg(I) - 1) + 1$  is the best possible linear upper bound for the regularity of a Borel type ideal,  $I$ . Indeed, if we consider  $I = (x_1^2, x_2^2) \subset K[x_1, x_2]$ , we have  $\text{reg}(I) = 3 = 2 \cdot (\deg(I) - 1) + 1$ . See also, [1, Remark 1.3].

**Lemma 1.2.8.** *Let  $I \subset S$  be a monomial ideal and  $I' = IS'$  the extension of  $I$  in  $S' = S[x_{n+1}]$ . If  $e \geq \deg(I)$ , then  $I_{\geq e}$  is stable if and only if  $I'_{\geq e}$  is stable.*

*Proof.* Let  $u \in I'_{\geq e}$  be a monomial. Then  $u = x_{n+1}^k \cdot v$  for some  $v \in I$ . If  $k > 0$  then  $m(u) = n + 1$  and therefore, for any  $i < n + 1$ ,  $x_i \cdot u / x_{n+1} = x_{n+1}^{k-1} \cdot x_i \cdot v \in I'_{\geq e}$ . If  $k = 0$  then  $m(u) \leq n$  and since  $I_{\geq e}$  is stable, it follows  $x_i \cdot u / x_{m(u)} \in I'_{\geq e}$ . Thus  $I'_{\geq e}$  is stable. For the converse, simply notice that  $G(I_{\geq e}) \subset G(I'_{\geq e})$  and since is enough to check the stable property only for the minimal generators, we are done.  $\square$

**Lemma 1.2.9.** *If  $I \subset S$  is an Artinian monomial ideal and  $e \geq \text{reg}(I)$  then  $I_{\geq e}$  is stable.*

*Proof.* Since  $I$  is Artinian, it follows that the length of the sequential chain of  $I$  is  $r = 1$ . By 1.2.2 we get  $\text{reg}(I) = s(S/I) + 1$  and therefore, if  $e \geq \text{reg}(I)$  then  $I_{\geq e} = S_{\geq e}$ , thus  $I_{\geq e}$  is stable.  $\square$

**Theorem 1.2.10.** *Let  $I \subset S$  be a Borel type ideal and let  $e \geq \text{reg}(I)$  be an integer. Then  $I_{\geq e}$  is stable.*

*Proof.* We use induction on  $r \geq 1$ , where  $r$  is the length of the sequential chain of  $I$ . If  $r = 1$ , i.e.  $I$  is an Artinian ideal, we are done as in the proof of the previous lemma.

Suppose now  $r > 1$  and let  $I = I_0 \subset I_1 \subset \cdots \subset I_r = S$  be the sequential chain of  $I$ . Let  $n_\ell = m(I_\ell)$  for  $0 \leq \ell \leq r$ . Let  $J_\ell \subset S_\ell = K[x_1, \dots, x_{n_\ell}]$  be the ideal generated by  $G(I_\ell)$ . Using the induction hypothesis, we may assume  $(I_1)_{\geq e}$  stable for  $e \geq \text{reg}(I_1)$ . On the other hand, from 1.2.2 it follows that  $\text{reg}(I_1) \leq \text{reg}(I)$ , thus  $(I_1)_{\geq e}$  is stable for  $e \geq \text{reg}(I)$ .

Since  $J_0^{\text{sat}} = I_1 \cap S_{n_0}$ , using iteratively Lemma 1.2.8 it follows that  $(J_0^{\text{sat}})_{\geq e}$  is stable. Let  $e \geq \text{reg}(I)$ . Since  $\text{reg}(I) \geq s(J_0^{\text{sat}}/J_0) + 1$  it follows that  $(J_0)_{\geq e} = (J_0^{\text{sat}})_{\geq e}$  is stable. Since  $I_0 = J_0S$ , using again Lemma 1.2.8, we get  $I_{\geq e}$  stable for  $e \geq \text{reg}(I)$ , as required.  $\square$

Theorem 1.2.10 and Proposition 1.2.5 yield the following:

**Corollary 1.2.11.** *If  $I$  is a Borel type ideal, then  $\text{reg}(I) = \min\{e : e \geq \text{deg}(I) \text{ and } I_{\geq e} \text{ is stable}\}$ . The same conclusion holds, if  $I$  is a monomial ideal with  $\text{Ass}(S/I)$  totally ordered by inclusion.*

*Proof.* Denote  $f = \min\{e : I_{\geq e} \text{ is stable}\}$ . By 1.2.10, we get  $\text{reg}(I) \geq f$  and by 1.2.5,  $\text{reg}(I) \leq f$ . For the second statement, by renumbering the variables, we can assume that  $I$  is of Borel type.  $\square$

**Example 1.2.12.** Let  $I = (x_1^7, x_1^5x_2, x_1^2x_2^4, x_1x_2^6, x_1^5x_3^2, x_1x_2^4x_3^2) \subset K[x_1, x_2, x_3, x_4]$ . We construct the sequential chain of  $I$ . We have  $I_0 = I$  and  $n_0 = m(I_0) = 3$ , therefore  $J_0 = I_0 \cap K[x_1, x_2, x_3]$ . Let  $I_1 = (I_0 : x_3^\infty) = (x_1^5, x_1x_2^4)$ . We have  $n_1 = m(I_1) = 2$ , therefore  $J_1 = I_1 \cap K[x_1, x_2]$ . Let  $I_2 = (I_1 : x_2^\infty) = (x_1)$ . We have  $n_2 = m(I_2) = 1$ , therefore  $J_2 = I_2 \cap K[x_1]$ . One can easily compute,  $s(J_0^{\text{sat}}/J_0) = 7$ ,  $s(J_1^{\text{sat}}/J_1) = 7$  and  $s(J_2^{\text{sat}}/J_2) = 1$ . Using 1.2.2, we get:

$$\text{reg}(I) = \max\{s(J_0^{\text{sat}}/J_0), s(J_1^{\text{sat}}/J_1), s(J_2^{\text{sat}}/J_2)\} + 1 = 8.$$

We will exemplify the proof of 1.2.10 for  $I$ . Let  $e \geq 8$  be an integer. Since  $(J_2)_{\geq e}$  is obviously stable, it follows from 1.2.8 that  $(I_2)_{\geq e} = (J_2S)_{\geq e}$  is also stable. Note that  $I_2 = J_1^{\text{sat}}S$  and moreover,  $I_2$  and  $J_1^{\text{sat}}$  have the same minimal set of generators. Therefore, by 1.2.8, it follows that  $(J_1^{\text{sat}})_{\geq e}$  is stable. Since  $e \geq \text{reg}(I) > s(J_1^{\text{sat}}/J_1) = 7$ , it follows that  $(J_1)_{\geq e}$  is stable. On the other hand,  $I_1 = J_1S$ , therefore  $(I_1)_{\geq e}$  is stable. Since  $J_0^{\text{sat}}S = I_1$  we get, from 1.2.8,  $(J_0^{\text{sat}})_{\geq e}$  stable. Since  $e \geq \text{reg}(I) > s(J_0^{\text{sat}}/J_0) = 7$ , it follows that  $(J_0)_{\geq e}$  is stable. Finally, since  $I = I_0 = J_0S$ , we obtain  $I_{\geq e}$  stable, as required.

**Corollary 1.2.13.** *If  $I$  and  $J$  are ideals of Borel type, then*

- (a)  $\text{reg}(I + J) \leq \max\{\text{reg}(I), \text{reg}(J)\}$ ;
- (b)  $\text{reg}(I \cap J) \leq \max\{\text{reg}(I), \text{reg}(J)\}$ .

*Proof.* Denote  $e = \max\{\text{reg}(I), \text{reg}(J)\}$ . From Theorem 1.2.10, it follows that  $I_{\geq e}$  and  $J_{\geq e}$  are stable. Therefore,  $(I + J)_{\geq e} = I_{\geq e} + J_{\geq e}$  is stable, as a sum of stable ideals. By 1.2.5 it follows that  $\text{reg}(I + J) \leq e$ , thus (a) holds. The proof of (b) is similar.  $\square$

**Lemma 1.2.14.** *Let  $I, J \subset S$  be two monomial ideals and let  $e \geq \deg(I)$  and  $f \geq \deg(J)$  be two integers such that  $I_{\geq e}$  and  $J_{\geq f}$  are stable. Then  $(I \cdot J)_{\geq e+f}$  is stable.*

*Proof.* Let  $u \in (I \cdot J)_{\geq e+f}$ . It follows that  $u = v \cdot w$  for some monomials  $v \in I$  and  $w \in J$ . We claim that we can choose  $v$  and  $w$  such that  $v \in I_{\geq e}$  and  $w \in J_{\geq f}$ .

Indeed, if we write  $v = v'a$  for  $v' \in G(I)$  and  $a \in S$  a monomial and  $w = w'b$  for  $w' \in G(J)$  and  $b \in S$  a monomial, we can find some new monomials  $\bar{a}, \bar{b} \in S$  such that  $\bar{a}\bar{b} = ab$ ,  $\deg(v'\bar{a}) \geq e$  and  $\deg(w'\bar{b}) \geq f$ . We are able to do this, since  $e \geq \deg(I)$  and  $f \geq \deg(J)$ , so  $\deg(v') \leq e$  and  $\deg(w') \leq f$ . Changing  $v$  with  $v'\bar{a}$  and  $w$  with  $w'\bar{b}$ , the claim is proved.

Now, let  $j < m(u)$  be an integer and suppose  $m(u) = m(v)$ . Then  $x_j u / x_{m(u)} = (x_j v / x_{m(v)}) \cdot w \in I \cdot J$ , because  $x_j v / x_{m(v)} \in I$  since  $I_{\geq e}$  is stable. Analogously, if  $m(u) = m(w)$ , then  $x_j u / x_{m(u)} = v \cdot (x_j w / x_{m(w)}) \in I \cdot J$ . Therefore,  $(I \cdot J)_{\geq e+f}$  is stable.  $\square$

**Theorem 1.2.15.** *Let  $I, J \subset S$  be two monomial ideals of Borel type. Then*

$$\operatorname{reg}(I \cdot J) \leq \operatorname{reg}(I) + \operatorname{reg}(J).$$

*Proof.* Since  $I$  and  $J$  are ideals of Borel type, if we denote  $e := \operatorname{reg}(I)$  and  $f = \operatorname{reg}(J)$ , by Theorem 1.2.10 it follows that  $I_{\geq e}$  and  $J_{\geq f}$  are stable. Using the previous lemma, it follows that  $(I \cdot J)_{\geq e+f}$  is stable, therefore, using Proposition 1.2.5 we get  $\operatorname{reg}(I \cdot J) \leq e + f$  as required.  $\square$

**Corollary 1.2.16.** *If  $I \subset S$  is an ideal of Borel type, then  $\operatorname{reg}(I^k) \leq k \cdot \operatorname{reg}(I)$ .*

Note that there are other large classes of graded ideals which have this property, see for instance [14], but on the other hand, Sturmfels provided an example of a graded ideal  $I \subset S$  with  $\operatorname{reg}(I^2) > 2 \cdot \operatorname{reg}(I)$  in [32].

### 1.3 Monomial ideals of strong Borel type.

Proposition 1.1.2(d) suggested us the following definition.

**Definition 1.3.1.** *We say that a monomial ideal  $I$  is of strong Borel type (SBT) if for any monomial  $u \in I$  and for any  $1 \leq j < i \leq n$ , there exists an integer  $t \leq \nu_i(u)$  such that  $x_j^t u / x_i^{\nu_i(u)} \in I$ .*

**Remark 1.3.2.** Obviously, an ideal of strong Borel type is also an ideal of Borel type, but the converse is not true. Take for instance  $I = (x_1^3, x_2^2) \subset K[x_1, x_2]$ .

The sum of two ideals of (SBT) is still an ideal of (SBT). Also, the same is true for an intersection or a product of two ideals of (SBT). The proof is similar with the proof of 1.1.3, so we skip it.

**Definition 1.3.3.** *Let  $\mathcal{A} \subset S$  be a set of monomials. We say that  $I$  is the (SBT)-ideal generated by  $\mathcal{A}$ , if  $I$  is the smallest, with respect to inclusion, ideal of (SBT) containing  $\mathcal{A}$ . We write  $I = \operatorname{SBT}(\mathcal{A})$ . In particular, if  $\mathcal{A} = \{u\}$ , where  $u \in S$  is a monomial, we say that  $I$  is the principal (SBT)-ideal generated by  $u$ , and we write  $I = \operatorname{SBT}(u)$ .*

**Lemma 1.3.4.** *Let  $1 \leq i_1 < i_2 < \dots < i_r \leq n$  be some integers,  $\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_r$  some positive integers and  $u = x_{i_1}^{\alpha_1} x_{i_2}^{\alpha_2} \dots x_{i_r}^{\alpha_r} \in S$ . Then, the principal (SBT)-ideal generated by  $u$ , is:*

$$I = \text{SBT}(u) = \prod_{q=1}^r (\mathbf{m}_q^{[\alpha_q]}), \text{ where } \mathbf{m}_q = \{x_1, \dots, x_{i_q}\} \text{ and } \mathbf{m}_q^{[\alpha_q]} = \{x_1^{\alpha_q}, \dots, x_{i_q}^{\alpha_q}\}.$$

*Proof.* Denote  $I' = \prod_{q=1}^r (\mathbf{m}_q^{[\alpha_q]})$ . If  $v \in G(I')$ , then  $v = x_{j_1}^{\alpha_1} x_{j_2}^{\alpha_2} \dots x_{j_r}^{\alpha_r}$ , for some  $1 \leq j_q \leq i_q$ , where  $1 \leq q \leq r$ . Since

$$v = \frac{x_{j_r}^{\alpha_r}}{x_{i_r}^{\alpha_r}} \dots \frac{x_{j_2}^{\alpha_2}}{x_{i_2}^{\alpha_2}} \cdot \frac{x_{j_1}^{\alpha_1}}{x_{i_1}^{\alpha_1}} u,$$

and  $I$  is of (SBT) it follows that  $v \in I$  and thus  $I' \subseteq I$ . For the converse, simply notice that  $I'$  is itself a (SBT)-ideal. Therefore  $I = \text{SBT}(u)$  as required.  $\square$

**Remark 1.3.5.** *Let  $1 \leq i_1 < i_2 < \dots < i_r \leq n$  be some integers and  $\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_r$  some positive integers and  $u = x_{i_1}^{\alpha_1} x_{i_2}^{\alpha_2} \dots x_{i_r}^{\alpha_r} \in S$ . Let  $I = \text{SBT}(u)$ . We describe the sequential chain of  $I$ . Denote  $I_r := I$ . Since  $I_r = I = \prod_{q=1}^r (\mathbf{m}_q^{[\alpha_q]})$ , it follows that  $I_{r-1} := (I_r : x_{i_r}^\infty) = \prod_{q=1}^{r-1} (\mathbf{m}_q^{[\alpha_q]})$ . Analogously, we get  $I_q = (I_{q+1} : x_{i_{q+1}}^\infty) = \prod_{e=1}^q (\mathbf{m}_e^{[\alpha_e]})$ , for all  $0 \leq q < r$ . Therefore, the sequential chain of  $I$  is,*

$$I = I_r \subset I_{r-1} \subset \dots \subset I_1 \subset I_0 = S.$$

Let  $J_q$  be the ideal in  $S_q = K[x_1, \dots, x_{i_q}]$  generated by  $G(I_q)$ , for  $1 \leq q \leq r$ . If  $s_q = s(J_q^{\text{sat}}/J_q)$ , 1.2.2 implies  $\text{reg}(I) = \max\{s_q : 1 \leq q \leq r\}$

Our next goal is to compute the regularity of a principal (SBT)-ideal, in a special case. In order to do so, we will compute the sequential chain of  $I$  and than apply Proposition 1.2.2.

**Theorem 1.3.6.** *Let  $1 \leq i_1 < i_2 < \dots < i_r \leq n$  be some integers,  $\alpha_1 \geq \alpha_1 \geq \dots \geq \alpha_r$  some positive integers and  $u = x_{i_1}^{\alpha_1} x_{i_2}^{\alpha_2} \dots x_{i_r}^{\alpha_r} \in S$ . Let  $I = \text{SBT}(u)$ . For  $1 \leq q \leq r$ , we define the numbers:*

$$\chi_q = \alpha_1 + \dots + \alpha_{q-1} + (\alpha_q - 1)i_q.$$

*With the above notations, we have  $\text{reg}(\text{SBT}(u)) = \max_{q=1}^r \chi_q + 1$ .*

*Proof.* We use the notations from 1.3.5. In order to compute the regularity of  $I$  we must determine the numbers  $s_q := s(J_q^{\text{sat}}/J_q)$ . We will prove that  $s_q = \chi_q$ . First of all, note that  $J_q = I_q \cap S_q$  and  $J_q^{\text{sat}} = I_{q-1} \cap S_q$ . We fix  $1 \leq q \leq r$  and we denote  $A := \{1, 2, \dots, i_q\} \setminus \{i_1, \dots, i_{q-1}\}$ . Let

$$w = \prod_{e=1}^{q-1} x_{i_e}^{\alpha_e + \alpha_q - 1} \cdot \prod_{j \in A} x_j^{\alpha_q - 1} \in S_q.$$

Obviously,  $\deg(w) = \chi_q$ . We claim that  $w \in J_q^{\text{sat}}$ , but  $w \notin J_q$  and, therefore,  $s_q \geq \chi_q$ . Indeed, since  $\prod_{e=1}^{q-1} x_{i_e}^{\alpha_e + \alpha_q - 1} \in J_q^{\text{sat}} = \prod_{e=1}^{q-1} (\mathbf{m}_e^{[\alpha_e]}) \subset S_q$  it follows that  $w \in J_q^{\text{sat}}$ .

We assume, by contradiction, that  $w \in J_q$ . Thus,  $w = x_{j_1}^{\alpha_1} \cdots x_{j_q}^{\alpha_q} y$ , where  $1 \leq j_e \leq i_e$  for all  $e \in \{1, \dots, q\}$  and  $y \in S$  is a monomial. We claim that  $\{j_1, j_2, \dots, j_{q-1}\} = \{i_1, \dots, i_{q-1}\}$ . Let  $k \in \{1, \dots, q-1\}$ . If  $j_k \in A$ , since  $x_{j_k}^{\alpha_k} | w$  it follows that  $\alpha_k \leq \alpha_q - 1$ , a contradiction, since  $\alpha_k \geq \alpha_q$ . Therefore,  $j_k \in \{i_1, \dots, i_{q-1}\}$ .

Using induction on  $1 \leq e \leq q-1$ , we prove that  $\{j_1, \dots, j_e\} = \{i_1, \dots, i_e\}$  for all  $e$ . Let  $e = 1$ . Since  $x_{j_1}^{\alpha_1} | w$ ,  $j_1 \leq i_1$  and for all  $j < i_1$  we have  $j \in A$ , it follows that  $j_1 = i_1$ . Suppose  $e \leq q-1$  and  $\{j_1, \dots, j_{e-1}\} = \{i_1, \dots, i_{e-1}\}$ . We have  $j_e \leq i_e$ . Suppose  $j_e < i_e$ . Since  $x_{j_e}^{\alpha_e} | w$  it follows that  $j_e = i_k$  for some  $k < e$ . So  $w = (x_{i_1}^{\alpha_1} \cdots x_{i_k}^{\alpha_k} \cdots x_{i_{e-1}}^{\alpha_{e-1}})(x_{j_e}^{\alpha_e} \cdots x_{j_q}^{\alpha_q} \cdot y)$  and it follows  $x_{i_k}^{\alpha_e + \alpha_k} | w$ . But this is false, since  $\alpha_e + \alpha_k > \alpha_k + \alpha_q - 1 = \deg_{x_{i_k}}(w) =$  the exponent in  $x_{i_k}$  of  $w$ . Thus,  $j_e = i_e$  and the induction holds.

We get  $w = \prod_{e=1}^{q-1} x_{i_e}^{\alpha_e} \cdot x_{j_q}^{\alpha_q} \cdot y$ . If  $j_q \in A$ , obviously, we get a contradiction. Thus  $j_q \in \{i_1, \dots, i_{q-1}\}$ . But this, again, cannot be true, since if  $j_q = i_e$ , it follows that  $x_{i_e}^{\alpha_q + \alpha_e} | w$ . In conclusion, our assumption is false and thus  $w \notin J_q$ .

In order to prove that  $s_q \leq \chi_q$ , we choose a monomial  $w \in J_q^{\text{sat}}$  such that  $w \notin J_q$  and we show that  $\deg(w) \leq \chi_q$ . Since  $w \in J_q^{\text{sat}}$ , it follows that

$$w = \prod_{e=1}^{q-1} x_{j_e}^{\alpha_e} \prod_{j=1}^{i_q} x_j^{\beta_j},$$

where  $1 \leq j_e \leq i_e$  and  $\beta_j$  are some nonnegative integers. Since  $w \notin J_q$  it follows, obviously, that  $\beta_j \leq \alpha_q - 1$  and, therefore,  $\deg(w) = \alpha_1 + \cdots + \alpha_{q-1} + \sum_{j=1}^{i_q} \beta_j \leq \chi_q$ , as required.  $\square$

**Example 1.3.7.** Let  $u = x_2^7 x_3^6 \in S = K[x_1, x_2, x_3]$ . We have  $i_1 = 2$ ,  $i_2 = 3$ ,  $\alpha_1 = 7$  and  $\alpha_2 = 6$ . From Lemma 1.3.4 it follows that  $I = \text{SBT}(u) = (x_1^7, x_2^7)(x_1^6, x_2^6, x_3^6)$ . We have  $J_1 = (x_1^7, x_2^7) \subset K[x_1, x_2]$  and  $J_2 = I$ . Also,  $J_1^{\text{sat}} = K[x_1, x_2]$  and  $J_2^{\text{sat}} = (x_1^7, x_2^7) \subset S$ .  $\chi_1 = (\alpha_1 - 1) \cdot 2 = 12$ .  $\chi_2 = \alpha_1 + (\alpha_2 - 1) \cdot 3 = 7 + 15 = 22$ . By 1.3.6,  $\text{reg}(I) = \max\{12, 22\} + 1 = 23$ .

## 1.4 $\mathbf{d}$ -fixed ideals.

In the following  $\mathbf{d} : 1 = d_0 | d_1 | \cdots | d_s$  is a strictly increasing sequence of positive integers, where  $s$  is a positive integer. We say that  $\mathbf{d}$  is a  $\mathbf{d}$ -sequence. We can take also  $s = +\infty$ , but for convenience we will not do it.

**Lemma 1.4.1.** *Let  $\mathbf{d}$  be a  $\mathbf{d}$ -sequence. Then, for any  $a \in \mathbb{N}$ , there exists a unique sequence of positive integers  $a_0, a_1, \dots, a_s$  such that:*

1.  $a = \sum_{t=0}^s a_t d_t$  and
2.  $0 \leq a_t < \frac{d_{t+1}}{d_t}$ , for any  $0 \leq t < s$ .

Conversely, if  $\mathbf{d} : 1 = d_0 < d_1 < \cdots < d_s$  is a sequence of positive integers such that for any  $a \in \mathbb{N}$  there exists a unique sequence of positive integers  $a_0, a_1, \dots, a_s$  as before, then  $\mathbf{d}$  is a  $\mathbf{d}$ -sequence.



*Proof.* Let  $a_s$  be the quotient of  $a$  divided by  $d_s$ . For  $0 \leq t < s$  let  $a_t$  be the quotient of  $(a - q_{t+1})$  divided by  $d_t$ , where  $q_{t+1} = \sum_{j=t+1}^s a_j d_j$ . We will prove that  $a_0, a_1, \dots, a_s$  fulfill the required conditions. Indeed, it is obvious that  $a = \sum_{t=0}^s a_t d_t$ . On the other hand,  $a - q_{t+1} < d_{t+1}$ , therefore, since  $a_t$  is the quotient of  $(a - q_{t+1})$  divided by  $d_t$ , it follows that  $a_t < \frac{d_{t+1}}{d_t}$ .

Suppose there exists another decomposition  $a = \sum_{j=0}^s b_j d_j$  which also fulfill the conditions 1 and 2. Then, we may assume that there exists an integer  $0 \leq t \leq s$  such that  $b_s = a_s, \dots, b_{t+1} = a_{t+1}$  and  $b_t > a_t$ . Notice that  $d_t > \sum_{j=0}^{t-1} a_j d_j$ . Indeed,

$$\sum_{j=0}^{t-1} a_j d_j \leq \sum_{j=0}^{t-1} \left( \frac{d_{j+1}}{d_j} - 1 \right) d_j = (d_1 - d_0) + (d_2 - d_1) + \dots + (d_t - d_{t-1}) = d_t - 1 < d_t.$$

We have  $0 = \sum_{j=0}^s (b_j - a_j) d_j = \sum_{j=0}^t (b_j - a_j) d_j$ , but on the other hand:

$$(b_t - a_t) d_t \geq d_t > \sum_{j=0}^{t-1} a_j d_j \geq \sum_{j=0}^{t-1} (a_j - b_j) d_j$$

and therefore  $(b_t - a_t) d_t - \sum_{j=0}^{t-1} (a_j - b_j) d_j = \sum_{j=0}^t (b_j - a_j) d_j > 0$ , which is a contradiction.

For the converse, we use induction on  $0 \leq t < s$ , the assertion being obvious for  $t = 0$ . Suppose  $t > 0$  and  $d_0 | d_1 | \dots | d_t$  and consider the decomposition of  $d_{t+1} - 1$ . Since  $d_{t+1} - 1 < d_{t+1}$ , it follows that  $d_{t+1} - 1 = \sum_{j=0}^t a_j d_j$ . On the other hand, since  $d_{t+1} - 1$  is the largest integer less than  $d_{t+1}$ , each  $a_j$  is maximal between the integers  $< d_{j+1}/d_j$ , for  $j < t$ . Therefore  $a_j = d_{j+1}/d_j - 1$  for  $0 \leq j < t$ . Thus:

$$\begin{aligned} d_{t+1} &= 1 + d_{t+1} - 1 = 1 + a_0 d_0 + a_1 d_1 + \dots + a_t d_t = d_1 + a_1 d_1 + a_2 d_2 + \dots + a_t d_t = \\ &= d_2 + a_2 d_2 + \dots + a_t d_t = \dots = (a_t + 1) d_t, \text{ so } d_t | d_{t+1}. \end{aligned}$$

□

**Definition 1.4.2.** Let  $a, b$  be two positive integers and consider the  $\mathbf{d}$ -decompositions  $a = \sum_{j=0}^s a_j d_j$  and  $b = \sum_{j=0}^s b_j d_j$ . We say that  $a \leq_{\mathbf{d}} b$  if  $a_j \leq b_j$  for any  $0 \leq j \leq s$ .

**Definition 1.4.3.** We say that a monomial ideal  $I \subset S = k[x_1, \dots, x_n]$  is  $\mathbf{d}$ -fixed, if for any monomial  $u \in I$  and for any indices  $1 \leq j < i \leq n$ , if  $t \leq_{\mathbf{d}} \nu_i(u)$  (where  $\nu_i(u)$  denotes the exponent of the variable  $x_i$  in  $u$ ) then  $u \cdot x_j^t / x_i^t \in I$ .

**Example 1.4.4.** (a) Let  $\mathbf{d} : 1 | p | p^2 | p^3 | \dots$ , where  $p > 0$  is a prime number. Then a  $\mathbf{d}$ -fixed ideal  $I$  is a  $p$ -Borel ideal. Therefore, definition 1.4.3 generalize the definition of a  $p$ -Borel ideal.

(b) Suppose  $\mathbf{d} : 1$ , i.e.  $s = 0$ . Let  $I \subset S$  be a monomial ideal. Then  $I$  is  $\mathbf{d}$ -fixed, if and only if  $I$  is strongly stable. Indeed, in the definition of a  $\mathbf{d}$ -fixed ideal, we can always choose  $t = 1$ , because the  $\mathbf{d}$ -decomposition of any positive integer  $m$  is in this case  $m = m \cdot 1$ .

(c) Let  $\mathbf{d} : 1 = d_0 | d_1 | \dots | d_s$  be a  $\mathbf{d}$ -sequence. If  $I, J \subset S$  are  $\mathbf{d}$ -fixed ideals, then  $I + J$  and  $I \cap J$  are also  $\mathbf{d}$ -fixed ideals. This is obvious from the definition.

**Lemma 1.4.5.** *Let  $a, b$  be two positive integers with  $a \leq_{\mathbf{d}} b$ . Suppose  $b = b' + b''$ , where  $b'$  and  $b''$  are positive integers. Then, there exists some positive integers  $a' \leq_{\mathbf{d}} b'$  and  $a'' \leq_{\mathbf{d}} b''$  such that  $a = a' + a''$ .*

*Proof.* Let  $a = \sum_{t=0}^s a_t d_t$ ,  $b = \sum_{t=0}^s b_t d_t$ ,  $b' = \sum_{t=0}^s b'_t d_t$ ,  $b'' = \sum_{t=0}^s b''_t d_t$ . The hypothesis implies  $a_t \leq b_t < d_{t+1}/d_t$  and  $b'_t, b''_t < d_{t+1}/d_t$  for any  $0 \leq t < s$ . We construct the sequences  $a'_t, a''_t$  using decreasing induction on  $t$ . Suppose we have already defined  $a'_j, a''_j$  for  $j > t$  such that  $\sum_{i=j}^s (a'_i + a''_i) d_i = \sum_{i=j}^s a_i d_i$  and  $b_{t+1} = b'_{t+1} + b''_{t+1}$ . This is obvious for  $t = s$ .

We consider two cases. If  $b_t = b'_t + b''_t$ , then we choose  $a'_t \leq b'_t$  and  $a''_t \leq b''_t$  such that  $a'_t + a''_t = a_t$ . We can do this, because  $a_t \leq b_t$ . Also, it is obvious from the induction hypothesis that  $\sum_{i=t}^s (a'_i + a''_i) d_i = \sum_{i=t}^s a_i d_i$ , so we can pass from  $t$  to  $t - 1$ .

If  $b_t \neq b'_t + b''_t$  we claim that  $b'_t + b''_t = b_t - 1$ . Indeed,  $\sum_{j=0}^{t-1} (b'_j + b''_j) d_j < 2d_t$  and therefore it is impossible to have  $b'_t + b''_t \leq b_t - 2$ , otherwise  $\sum_{j=0}^t (b'_j + b''_j) d_j < b_t d_t$  and we contradict the equality  $b = b' + b''$ . Also, since  $b'_{t+1} + b''_{t+1} = b_{t+1}$ , we cannot have  $b'_t + b''_t > b_t$ . Similarly we get  $b'_{t-1} + b''_{t-1} > b_{t-1}$ . By recurrence, we conclude that there exists an integer  $u < t$  such that:  $b'_{u-1} + b''_{u-1} = b_{u-1}$ ,  $b'_u + b''_u = b_u + d_{u+1}/d_u$ ,  $b'_{u+1} + b''_{u+1} = b_{u+1} + d_{u+2}/d_{u+1} - 1$ ,  $\dots$ ,  $b'_{t-1} + b''_{t-1} = b_{t-1} + d_t/d_{t-1} - 1$ .

If  $a_j = b_j$  for any  $j \in \{u, \dots, t\}$ , we simply choose  $a'_j = b'_j$  and  $a''_j = b''_j$  for any  $j \in \{u, \dots, t\}$  and the required conditions are fulfilled, so we can pass from  $t$  to  $u - 1$ . If this is not the case, then there exists an integer  $u \leq q \leq t$  such that  $a_t = b_t, \dots, a_{q+1} = b_{q+1}$  and  $a_q < b_q$ . If  $q = t$  then for any  $j \in \{u, \dots, t\}$  we can choose  $a'_j \leq b'_j$  and  $a''_j \leq b''_j$  such that  $a'_j + a''_j = a_j$ . For  $j < t$  the previous assertion is obvious because  $b'_j + b''_j \geq b_j$ , and for  $j = t$ , since  $a_t < b_t$  we have in fact  $a_t \leq b'_t + b''_t = b_t - 1$  and therefore we can choose again  $a'_t$  and  $a''_t$ . The conditions are satisfied so we can pass from  $t$  to  $u - 1$ .

Suppose  $q < t$ . For  $j \in \{u, \dots, q - 1\}$  we choose  $a'_j \leq b'_j$  and  $a''_j \leq b''_j$  such that  $a'_j + a''_j = a_j$ . We can do this because  $b'_j + b''_j \geq b_j \geq a_j$ . We choose  $a'_q$  and  $a''_q$  such that  $a'_q + a''_q = a_q + d_{q+1}/d_q$ . We can make this choice, because  $a_q \leq b_q - 1$  and  $b'_q + b''_q \geq b_q + d_{q+1}/d_q - 1$ . For  $j > q$ , we simply put  $a'_j = b'_j$  and  $a''_j = b''_j$ . To pass from  $t$  to  $u - 1$  is enough to see that  $\sum_{j=u}^t a_j d_j = \sum_{j=u}^t (a'_j + a''_j) d_j$ . Indeed,

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{j=u}^t (a'_j + a''_j) d_j &= \sum_{j=u}^{q-1} (a'_j + a''_j) d_j + (a'_q + a''_q) d_q + \sum_{j=q+1}^t (a'_j + a''_j) d_j = \\ &= \sum_{j=u}^{q-1} a_j d_j + (a_q + d_{q+1}/d_q) d_q + \sum_{j=q+1}^{t-1} (a_j + d_{j+1}/d_j - 1) d_j + (a_t - 1) d_t = \\ &= \sum_{j=u}^t a_j d_j + d_{q+1} + \sum_{j=q+1}^{t-1} (d_{j+1} - d_j) - d_t = \sum_{j=u}^t a_j d_j, \end{aligned}$$

The induction ends when  $t = -1$ . Finally, we obtain  $a'$  and  $a''$  such that  $a' + a'' = a$ ,  $a'_t \leq b'_t$  and  $a''_t \leq b''_t$ , as required.  $\square$

**Corollary 1.4.6.** *If  $I, J \subset S$  are  $\mathbf{d}$ -fixed ideals then  $I \cdot J$  is a  $\mathbf{d}$ -fixed ideal.*

*Proof.* Let  $u \in I \cdot J$  be a monomial and let  $1 \leq j < i \leq n$  be two integers. We can write  $u = v \cdot w$ , where  $v \in I$  and  $w \in J$  are monomials. Let  $t \leq_{\mathbf{d}} \nu_i(u)$  be a positive integer. Since  $\nu_i(u) = \nu_i(v) + \nu_i(w)$ , by previous lemma, we can choose two positive integers  $t' \leq_{\mathbf{d}} \nu_i(v)$  and  $t'' \leq_{\mathbf{d}} \nu_i(w)$  such that  $t = t' + t''$ . Since  $I$  and  $J$  are  $\mathbf{d}$ -fixed, it follows that  $x_j^{t'} v / x_i^{\nu_i(v)} \in I$  and  $x_j^{t''} w / x_i^{\nu_i(w)} \in J$ . Therefore,  $x_j^t u / x_i^{\nu_i(u)} \in I \cdot J$  and thus  $I \cdot J$  is  $\mathbf{d}$ -fixed, as required.  $\square$

**Definition 1.4.7.** *A  $\mathbf{d}$ -fixed ideal  $I$  is called principal if it is generated, as a  $\mathbf{d}$ -fixed ideal by one monomial  $u \in S$ , i.e.  $I$  is the smallest  $\mathbf{d}$ -fixed ideal which contains  $u$ . We write  $I = \langle u \rangle_{\mathbf{d}}$ . More generally, if  $u_1, \dots, u_r \in S$  are monomials, the  $\mathbf{d}$ -fixed ideal generated by  $u_1, \dots, u_r$  is the smallest  $\mathbf{d}$ -fixed ideal  $I$  which contains  $u_1, \dots, u_r$ . We write  $I = \langle u_1, \dots, u_r \rangle_{\mathbf{d}}$ .*

Our next goal is to describe the principal  $\mathbf{d}$ -fixed ideals. The easiest case is when we have a  $\mathbf{d}$ -fixed ideal generated by the power of a variable. We denote  $\mathbf{m} = \{x_1, \dots, x_n\}$  and  $\mathbf{m}^{[d]} = \{x_1^d, \dots, x_n^d\}$ , where  $d$  is a positive integer. We have the following proposition.

**Proposition 1.4.8.** *If  $u = x_n^\alpha$ , then  $I = \langle u \rangle_{\mathbf{d}} = \prod_{t=0}^s (\mathbf{m}^{[d_t]})^{\alpha_t}$ , where  $\alpha = \sum_{t=0}^s \alpha_t d_t$ .*

*Proof.* Let  $I' = \prod_{t=0}^s (\mathbf{m}^{[d_t]})^{\alpha_t}$ . The minimal generators of  $I'$  are monomials of the type  $w = \prod_{t=0}^s \prod_{j=1}^n x_j^{\lambda_{tj} d_t}$ , where  $0 \leq \lambda_{tj}$  and  $\sum_{j=1}^n \lambda_{tj} = \alpha_t$ . First, let us show that  $I' \subset I$ . In order to do this, we choose  $w$  a minimal generator of  $I'$  (the one bellow). We write  $x_n^\alpha$  like this:  $x_n^\alpha = x_n^{\alpha_0 d_0 + \alpha_1 d_1 + \dots + \alpha_s d_s} = x_n^{\alpha_0 d_0} \cdot x_n^{\alpha_1 d_1} \dots x_n^{\alpha_s d_s}$ . Since  $\lambda_{01} d_0 \leq_{\mathbf{d}} \alpha_0 d_0 + \alpha_1 d_1 + \dots + \alpha_s d_s$  and  $I$  is  $\mathbf{d}$ -fixed it follows that  $x_1^{\lambda_{01} d_0} x_n^{\alpha - \lambda_{01} d_0} \in I$ . Also,  $\lambda_{02} d_0 < \alpha - \lambda_{01} d_0 = (\alpha_0 - \lambda_{01}) d_0 + \alpha_1 d_1 + \dots + \alpha_s d_s$ , and since  $I$  is  $\mathbf{d}$ -fixed it follows that  $x_1^{\lambda_{01} d_0} x_2^{\lambda_{02} d_0} x_n^{\alpha - \lambda_{01} d_0 - \lambda_{02} d_0} \in I$ . Using iteratively this argument, one can easily see that  $x_1^{\lambda_{01} d_0} \dots x_n^{\lambda_{0n} d_0} x_n^{\alpha - \alpha_0 d_0} \in I$ . Also  $\alpha - \alpha_0 d_0 = \alpha_1 d_1 + \dots + \alpha_s d_s$ . Again, using an inductive argument, we get:

$$(x_1^{\lambda_{01} d_0} \dots x_n^{\lambda_{0n} d_0}) \cdot (x_1^{\lambda_{11} d_1} \dots x_n^{\lambda_{1n} d_1}) \dots (x_1^{\lambda_{s1} d_s} \dots x_n^{\lambda_{sn} d_s}) = w \in I.$$

For the converse, i.e.  $I \subset I'$ , is enough to verify that  $I'$  is  $\mathbf{d}$ -fixed. In order to do this, is enough to prove that the minimal generators of  $I'$  fulfill the definition of a  $\mathbf{d}$ -fixed ideal. Let  $w$  be a minimal generator of  $I'$ . Let  $2 \leq i \leq n$ . Then  $\nu_i(w) = \sum_{t=0}^s \lambda_{ti} d_t$ . If  $\beta \leq_{\mathbf{d}} \nu_i(w)$  then  $\beta = \sum_{t=0}^s \beta_t d_t$  with  $\beta_t \leq \lambda_{ti}$ . Let  $1 \leq k < i$ . We have

$$w \cdot x_k^\beta / x_i^\beta = \prod_{t=0}^s \left( \prod_{j \neq i, k} x_j^{\lambda_{tj} d_t} \right) \cdot x_i^{(\lambda_{ti} - \beta_t) d_t} \cdot x_k^{(\lambda_{tk} + \beta_t) d_t}.$$

Thus  $w \cdot x_k^\beta / x_i^\beta \in I'$  and therefore  $I'$  is  $\mathbf{d}$ -fixed. Since  $I$  is the smallest  $\mathbf{d}$ -fixed ideal which contains  $x_n^\alpha$  it follows that  $I \subset I'$ .  $\square$

**Proposition 1.4.9.** *If  $\alpha \leq \beta$  then  $\langle x_n^\beta \rangle_{\mathbf{d}} \subseteq \langle x_n^\alpha \rangle_{\mathbf{d}}$ .*

*Proof.* The case  $\alpha = \beta$  is obvious, so we may assume  $\alpha < \beta$ . We denote  $I = \langle x_n^\alpha \rangle_{\mathbf{d}}$  and  $I' = \langle x_n^\beta \rangle_{\mathbf{d}}$ . We write  $\alpha = \sum_{t=0}^s \alpha_t d_t$  and  $\beta = \sum_{t=0}^s \beta_t d_t$ . If  $w$  is a minimal generator of  $I'$  then  $w = \prod_{t=0}^s \prod_{i=1}^n x_i^{\lambda_{ti} d_t}$ , where  $0 \leq \lambda_{ti}$  and  $\sum_{i=1}^n \lambda_{ti} = \beta_t$ . We claim that  $w \in I$  and therefore  $I' \subset I$  as required.

Since  $\alpha < \beta$  there exists  $t \in \{0, \dots, s\}$  such that  $\alpha_s = \beta_s, \dots, \alpha_{t+1} = \beta_{t+1}$  and  $\alpha_t < \beta_t$ . We may assume some  $\lambda_{tk} > 0$ . We have

$$w = \prod_{j=0}^s \prod_{i=1}^n x_i^{\lambda_{ji} d_j} = \prod_{j=0}^{t-1} x_k^{\alpha_j d_j} x_k^{(\lambda_{tk}-1)d_t} x_k^{d_t - \sum_{j=0}^{t-1} \alpha_j d_j} \prod_{i \neq k}^n x_i^{\lambda_{ti} d_t} \prod_{j>t}^n \prod_{i=1}^n x_i^{\lambda_{ji} d_j}$$

and now it is obvious that  $w \in I$ .  $\square$

**Proposition 1.4.10.** *If  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$  are two positive integers, then  $\langle x_n^{\alpha+\beta} \rangle_{\mathbf{d}} \subseteq \langle x_n^\alpha \rangle_{\mathbf{d}} \cdot \langle x_n^\beta \rangle_{\mathbf{d}}$ . The equality holds if and only if  $\alpha_t + \beta_t < d_{t+1}/d_t$  for all  $0 \leq t \leq s$ , where  $\alpha = \sum_{t=0}^s \alpha_t d_t$  and  $\beta = \sum_{t=0}^s \beta_t d_t$ .*

*Proof.* We denote  $I = \langle x_n^{\alpha+\beta} \rangle$  and  $I' = \langle x_n^\alpha \rangle \cdot \langle x_n^\beta \rangle$ . Also, we denote  $\gamma := \alpha + \beta$ . Let  $\gamma = \sum_{t=0}^s \gamma_t d_t$ . We may assume  $\gamma_s \neq 0$ , otherwise, we replace  $s$  with  $s' = \max\{t \mid \gamma_t \neq 0\}$ . We use induction on  $t = \min\{j \mid \alpha_j^2 + \beta_j^2 \neq 0\}$ . If  $t = s$ , it follows that  $\alpha = \alpha_s d_s$ ,  $\beta = \beta_s d_s$  and thus  $I = I'$ . Suppose  $t < s$ . We should consider two cases: (I)  $\alpha_t + \beta_t = \gamma_t$  or (II)  $\alpha_t + \beta_t = \gamma_t + d_{t+1}/d_t$ .

(I) Let  $\bar{\alpha} := \alpha - \alpha_t d_t$  and  $\bar{\beta} = \beta - \beta_t d_t$ . Let  $\bar{\gamma} := \bar{\alpha} + \bar{\beta}$ . We denote  $\bar{I} := \langle x_n^{\bar{\gamma}} \rangle_{\mathbf{d}}$  and  $\bar{I}' := \langle x_n^{\bar{\alpha}} \rangle_{\mathbf{d}} \cdot \langle x_n^{\bar{\beta}} \rangle_{\mathbf{d}}$ . By induction hypothesis, we have  $\bar{I} \subseteq \bar{I}'$ . Therefore, since  $I = (\mathbf{m}^{[d_t]})^{\gamma_t} \bar{I}$  and  $I' = (\mathbf{m}^{[d_t]})^{\gamma_t} \bar{I}'$  it follows that  $I \subseteq I'$  as required.

(II) As above, we define  $\bar{\alpha}$ ,  $\bar{\beta}$ ,  $\bar{\gamma}$ ,  $\bar{I}$  and  $\bar{I}'$ . We notice that  $I = (\mathbf{m}^{[d_t]})^{\alpha_t + \beta_t - d_{t+1}/d_t} \cdot (\mathbf{m}^{[d_{t+1}]}) \bar{I}$  and  $I' = (\mathbf{m}^{[d_t]})^{\alpha_t + \beta_t} \bar{I}'$ . Using induction hypothesis, it follows that  $I \subset I'$ . Note that in this case, the inclusion is strict, therefore we get the second statement of the proposition.  $\square$

We have the general description of a principal  $\mathbf{d}$ -fixed ideal given by the following proposition. In the proof, we will apply Lemma 1.4.5.

**Proposition 1.4.11.** *Let  $1 \leq i_1 < i_2 < \dots < i_r = n$  and let  $\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_r$  be some positive integers. If  $u = x_{i_1}^{\alpha_1} x_{i_2}^{\alpha_2} \dots x_{i_r}^{\alpha_r}$  then:*

$$I = \langle u \rangle_{\mathbf{d}} = \langle x_{i_1}^{\alpha_1} \rangle_{\mathbf{d}} \cdot \langle x_{i_2}^{\alpha_2} \rangle_{\mathbf{d}} \cdots \langle x_{i_r}^{\alpha_r} \rangle_{\mathbf{d}} = \prod_{q=1}^r \prod_{t=0}^s (\mathbf{m}_q^{[d_t]})^{\alpha_{qt}},$$

where  $\mathbf{m}_q = \{x_1, \dots, x_{i_q}\}$ ,  $\mathbf{m}_q^{[d_t]} = \{x_1^{d_t}, \dots, x_{i_q}^{d_t}\}$  and  $\alpha_q = \sum_{t=0}^s \alpha_{qt} d_t$ .

*Proof.* Let  $I' = \prod_{q=1}^r \prod_{t=0}^s (\mathbf{m}_q^{[d_t]})^{\alpha_{qt}}$ . The minimal generators of  $I'$  are monomials of the type  $w = \prod_{q=1}^r \prod_{t=0}^s \prod_{j=1}^{i_q} x_j^{\lambda_{qtj} d_t}$ , where  $0 \leq \lambda_{qtj}$  and  $\sum_{j=1}^{i_q} \lambda_{qtj} = \alpha_{qt}$ . First, we show that

$I' \subset I$ . In order to do this, it is enough to prove that by iterative transformations we can modify  $u$  such that we obtain  $w$ .

The idea of this transformations is the same as in the proof of 1.4.8. Without given all the details, one can see that if we rewrite  $u$  as

$$(x_{i_1}^{\alpha_{10}d_0} x_{i_1}^{\alpha_{11}d_1} \dots x_{i_1}^{\alpha_{1s}d_s}) \dots (x_{i_r}^{\alpha_{r0}d_0} x_{i_r}^{\alpha_{r1}d_1} \dots x_{i_r}^{\alpha_{rs}d_s}),$$

where  $\alpha_q = \sum_{t=0}^s \alpha_{qt}d_t$ , we can pass to  $w$ , using the transformations

$$x_{i_1}^{\alpha_{10}d_0} \mapsto \prod_{j=1}^{i_1} x_j^{\lambda_{10j}d_0}, \dots, x_{i_1}^{\alpha_{1s}d_s} \mapsto \prod_{j=1}^{i_1} x_j^{\lambda_{1sj}d_s}, \dots, x_{i_r}^{\alpha_{r0}d_0} \mapsto \prod_{j=1}^{i_r} x_j^{\lambda_{r0j}d_0}, \dots, x_{i_r}^{\alpha_{rs}d_s} \mapsto \prod_{j=1}^{i_r} x_j^{\lambda_{rsj}d_s}.$$

Therefore  $w \in I$ , and thus  $I' \subset I$ . For the converse, it is enough to see that  $I'$  is a **d**-fixed ideal. Let  $w$  be a minimal generator of  $I'$ . We choose an index  $2 \leq i \leq n$ . Then  $\nu_i(w) = \sum_{q=1}^r \sum_{t=0}^s \lambda_{qti}d_t$ . Let  $\beta \leq \nu_i(w)$ . Using Lemma 1.4.5, we can choose some positive integers  $\beta_1, \dots, \beta_r$  such that:

$$(a)\beta = \sum_{q=1, i_q \geq i}^r \beta_q \text{ and } (b)\beta_q \leq_{\mathbf{d}} \sum_{t=0}^s \lambda_{qti}d_t,$$

i.e.  $\beta_{qt} \leq \lambda_{qti}$ , where  $\beta_q = \sum_{t=0}^s \beta_{qt}d_t$ . Let  $k < i$ . Then,

$$w \cdot x_k^\beta / x_i^\beta = \prod_{q=1}^r \prod_{t=0}^s \left( \prod_{j=1, j \neq k, i}^{i_q} x_j^{\lambda_{q tj} \cdot d_t} \right) x_i^{(\lambda_{q ti} - \beta_{qt})d_t} x_k^{(\lambda_{q tk} + \beta_{qt})d_t}.$$

Now, it is easy to see that  $w \cdot x_k^\beta / x_i^\beta \in I'$ , and therefore  $I'$  is **d**-fixed.  $\square$

**Example 1.4.12.** Let  $\mathbf{d} : 1|2|4|12$ .

1. Let  $u = x_3^{21}$ . We have  $21 = 1 \cdot 1 + 0 \cdot 2 + 2 \cdot 4 + 1 \cdot 12$ . From 1.4.8, we get:

$$< u >_{\mathbf{d}} = (x_1, x_2, x_3)(x_1^4, x_2^4, x_3^4)^2(x_1^{12}, x_2^{12}, x_3^{12}).$$

2. Let  $u = x_1^2 x_2^9 x_3^{16}$ . We have  $9 = 1 \cdot 1 + 2 \cdot 4$  and  $16 = 1 \cdot 4 + 1 \cdot 12$ . From 1.4.11, we get

$$< u >_{\mathbf{d}} = x_1^2 < x_2^9 >_{\mathbf{d}} < x_3^{16} >_{\mathbf{d}} = x_1^2(x_1, x_2)(x_1^4, x_2^4)^2(x_1^4, x_2^4, x_3^4)(x_1^{12}, x_2^{12}, x_3^{12}).$$

**Remark 1.4.13.** Any **d**-fixed ideal  $I$  is a Borel type ideal. Indeed, Proposition 1.1.4(d) says that an ideal  $I$  is of Borel type if and only if for any  $1 \leq j < i \leq n$ , there exists an positive integer  $t$  such that  $x_j^t(u/x_i^{\nu_i(u)}) \in I$ . Choosing  $t = \nu_i(u)$ , is easy to see that the definition of a **d**-fixed ideal implies the condition above.

Let  $u = x_{i_1}^{\alpha_1} x_{i_2}^{\alpha_2} \dots x_{i_r}^{\alpha_r}$  and  $I = < u >_{\mathbf{d}} = \prod_{q=1}^r \prod_{t=0}^s (\mathbf{m}_q^{[d_t]})^{\alpha_{qt}}$ , where  $\alpha_q = \sum_{t=0}^s \alpha_{qt}d_t$ . Let  $I_{r-e} = \prod_{q=1}^e \prod_{t=0}^s (\mathbf{m}_q^{[d_t]})^{\alpha_{qt}}$ . Then  $I = I_0 \subset I_1 \subset \dots \subset I_r = S$  is the sequential chain of  $I$ . Let  $n_\ell = i_{q_{r-\ell}}$ . Indeed, since  $x_{n_\ell}^{\alpha_{r-\ell}} I_{\ell+1} \subset I_\ell \Rightarrow I_{\ell+1} \subset (I_\ell : x_{n_\ell}^\infty)$ . For the converse, let  $w \in (I_\ell : x_{n_\ell}^\infty)$  be any minimal generator. Then there exists an integer  $b$  such that  $w \cdot x_{n_\ell}^b \in I_\ell$ . We may assume that  $w$  is a minimal generator of  $I_\ell$ . Then  $w \cdot x_{n_\ell}^b = w' \cdot y$  for a  $w' \in I_{\ell+1}$  and  $y \in \prod_{j=0}^t (\mathbf{m}_{r-\ell}^{[d_j]})^{\alpha_{r-\ell, j}}$  with  $x_{n_\ell}^b | y$ . Thus  $w' | w$ , and therefore  $w \in I_{\ell+1}$ .

## 1.5 Socle of factors by principal $\mathbf{d}$ -fixed ideals.

In the following, we suppose  $n \geq 2$ .

**Lemma 1.5.1.** *Let  $\mathbf{d} : 1 = d_0 |d_1| \cdots |d_s$ ,  $\alpha \in \mathbb{N}$  and  $I = \langle x_n^\alpha \rangle_{\mathbf{d}} = \prod_{t=0}^s (\mathbf{m}^{[d_t]})^{\alpha_t}$ . Let  $q_t = \sum_{j=t}^s \alpha_j d_j$ . Let*

$$J = \sum_{t=0, \alpha_t > 0}^s (x_1 \cdots x_n)^{d_t-1} (\mathbf{m}^{[d_t]})^{\alpha_t-1} \prod_{j>t} (\mathbf{m}^{[d_j]})^{\alpha_j}.$$

Then:

1.  $\text{Soc}(S/I) = \frac{J+I}{I}$
2. Let  $e$  be a positive integer. Then  $(\frac{J+I}{I})_e \neq 0 \Leftrightarrow e = q_t + (n-1)(d_t-1) - 1$ , for some  $0 \leq t \leq s$  with  $\alpha_t > 0$ .
3.  $\max\{e | (\frac{J+I}{I})_e \neq 0\} = \alpha_s d_s + (n-1)(d_s-1) - 1$ .

*Proof.* 1. Firstly, we prove that  $\frac{J+I}{I} \subset \text{Soc}(S/I)$ . Since  $\text{Soc}(S/I) = (O :_{S/I} \mathbf{m})$ , it is enough to show that  $\mathbf{m}J \subset I$ .

We have  $J = \sum_{t=0, \alpha_t > 0}^s J_t$ , where  $J_t = (x_1 \cdots x_n)^{d_t-1} (\mathbf{m}^{[d_t]})^{\alpha_t-1} \prod_{j>t} (\mathbf{m}^{[d_j]})^{\alpha_j}$ . It is enough to prove that  $x_i J_t \subset I$  for any  $i$  and any  $t$ . Suppose  $i = 1$ :

$$x_1 J_t = x_1^{d_t} (x_2 \cdots x_n)^{d_t-1} (\mathbf{m}^{[d_t]})^{\alpha_t-1} \prod_{j>t} (\mathbf{m}^{[d_j]})^{\alpha_j} \subset (x_2 \cdots x_n)^{d_t-1} \prod_{j \geq t} (\mathbf{m}^{[d_j]})^{\alpha_j}.$$

On the other hand,  $(x_2 \cdots x_n)^{d_t-1} \in \prod_{j<t} (\mathbf{m}^{[d_j]})^{\alpha_j}$ , because  $d_t - 1 \geq \sum_{j<t} \alpha_j d_j$ . Thus  $x_1 J_t \subset I$ .

For the converse, we apply induction on  $\alpha$ . If  $\alpha = 1$  then  $s = 0$  and  $I = (x_1, \dots, x_n) = \mathbf{m}$ .  $J = (x_1, \dots, x_n)^{d_0-1} = S$ , and obvious  $\text{Soc}(S/I) = \text{Soc}(S/\mathbf{m}) = S/\mathbf{m}$ . Let us suppose that  $\alpha > 1$ . We prove that if  $w \in S \setminus I$  is a monomial such that  $\mathbf{m}w \subset I$ , then  $w \in J$ . Let  $t_e = \max\{t : x_e^{d_t-1} | w\}$ . Renumbering  $x_1, \dots, x_n$  which does not affect either  $I$  or  $J$ , we may suppose that  $t_1 \geq t_2 \geq \cdots \geq t_n$ . We have two cases: (i)  $t_1 > t_n$  and (ii)  $t_1 = t_n$ . But first, let's make the following remark: (\*) If  $u = x_1^{\beta_1} \cdots x_n^{\beta_n} \in \prod_{j \geq t} \mathbf{m}^{[d_j]}$  and  $\beta_i < d_t$  for certain  $i$  then  $u/x_i^{\beta_i} \in \prod_{j \geq t} \mathbf{m}^{[d_j]}$  (the proof is similarly to [23, Lemma 3.5]).

In the case (i), there exists an index  $e$  such that  $t_e > t_{e+1} = \cdots = t_n$ . Then we have  $w = (x_n \cdots x_{e+1})^{d_{t_n}-1} \cdot x_e^{d_{t_e}-1} \cdot y$ , for a monomial  $y \in S$ . We consider two cases (a)  $x_e$  does not divide  $y$  and (b)  $x_e$  divide  $y$ . (a) From  $x_n w = x_n^{d_{t_n}} \cdot (x_{n-1} \cdots x_{e+1})^{d_{t_n}-1} x_e^{d_{t_e}-1} \cdot y \in I$  we see that  $y \in \prod_{j \geq t_e} (\mathbf{m}^{[d_j]})^{\alpha_j}$ , by (\*). Therefore  $w \in I$ , because  $x_e^{d_{t_e}-1} \in \prod_{j < t_e} (\mathbf{m}^{[d_j]})^{\alpha_j}$ , which is a contradiction.

(b) In this case,  $w = (x_n \cdots x_{e+1})^{d_{t_n}-1} x_e^{d_{t_e}} y'$ , where  $y' = y/x_e$ . We claim that there exist  $\lambda \leq t_e$  such that  $\alpha_\lambda \neq 0$ . Indeed, if all  $\alpha_\lambda = 0$  for  $\lambda \leq t_e$ , then  $I = \prod_{j=t_e+1}^s (\mathbf{m}^{[d_j]})^{\alpha_j}$  and  $x_n w \in I$  implies  $y' \in I$  because of the maximality of  $t_n$  and (\*). It follows  $w \in I$ , which is

false. Choose  $\lambda \leq t_e$  maximal possible with  $\alpha_\lambda \neq 0$ . Set  $w' = w/x_e^{d_\lambda}$ . Note that  $\mathbf{m}w \subset I$  implies

$$\mathbf{m}w \subset I' = (\mathbf{m}^{[d_{t_\lambda}]})^{\alpha_\lambda - 1} \prod_{j \neq \lambda} (\mathbf{m}^{[d_{t_j}]})^{\alpha_j}.$$

It is obvious that  $x_q w' \in I'$  for  $q \neq e$ . Also, since  $x_e^{d_{t_e}+1}$  does not divide  $x_e w$  implies  $x_e w' \in I'$ . Choosing  $\alpha' = \alpha - d_\lambda$ , we get  $\alpha'_j = \alpha_j$  for  $j \neq \lambda$  and  $\alpha'_\lambda = \alpha_\lambda - 1$  and therefore we can apply our induction hypothesis for  $I'$  (because  $\alpha' < \alpha$ ) and for the ideal  $J'$  associated to  $I'$ , which has the form:

$$J' = \sum_{q=0, \alpha'_q \neq 0} (x_1 \cdots x_n)^{d_q-1} (\mathbf{m}^{[d_q]})^{\alpha'_q-1} \prod_{j>q} (\mathbf{m}^{[d_j]})^{\alpha'_j},$$

and so  $w = x_e^{d_\lambda} w' \in x_e^{d_\lambda} J' \subset J$ .

It remains to consider the case (ii) in which we have in fact  $t_1 = t_2 = \cdots = t_n$ . If  $y = w/(x_1 \cdots x_n)^{d_{t_n}-1} \in \mathbf{m}$ , then there exists  $e$  such that  $x_e | y$ , and we apply our induction hypothesis as in the case (b) above. Thus we may suppose  $y = 1$ , i.e.  $w = (x_1 \cdots x_n)^{d_{t_n}-1}$ . Since  $\mathbf{m}w \subset I$ , we see that  $\alpha_j = 0$  for  $j > t_n$  and  $\alpha_{t_n} = 1$  (otherwise  $w \in I$ , which is absurd). Thus  $w \in J$ .

2. Let  $v = x_1^{q_t-1} (x_2 \cdots x_n)^{d_t-1}$ . Then  $\deg(v) = q_t + (n-1)(d_t-1) - 1$ . But  $v \in J$  and  $v \notin I$ , therefore  $v \neq 0$  in  $\text{Soc}(S/I) = \frac{J+I}{I}$ .

3. Let  $e_t = q_t + (n-1)(d_t-1) - 1$  for  $0 \leq t \leq s$ . Let  $t < s$ . Then

$e_{t+1} - e_t = q_{t+1} - q_t + (n-1)(d_{t+1} - d_t) = -\alpha_t d_t + (n-1)(d_{t+1} - d_t) \geq d_{t+1} - (\alpha_t + 1)d_t \geq 0$ , so

$$\max\{e | ((J+I)/I)_e \neq 0\} = e_s = \alpha_s d_s + (n-1)(d_s - 1) - 1.$$

□

**Remark 1.5.2.** From the proof of the above lemma, we may easily conclude that for  $n \geq 3$ ,  $e_t = e_{t'}$  if and only if  $t = t'$ , and if  $n = 2$ , then  $e_t = e_{t'}$  ( $t < t'$ ) if and only if  $\alpha_{t'-1} = d_{t'}/d_{t'-1}, \dots, \alpha_t = d_{t+1}/d_t$ .

**Corollary 1.5.3.** *With the notations of previous lemma and remark, let  $0 \leq t \leq s$  be an integer such that  $\alpha_t \neq 0$ . Let  $h_t = \dim_K((I + J_t)/I)$ . Then:*

1.  $G(J_t) \cap (I + J_{t'}) = 0$  for  $0 \leq t' \leq s$ ,  $t' \neq t$ .

2.  $h_t = \binom{n+\alpha_t-2}{n-1} \prod_{j>t} \binom{n+\alpha_j-1}{n-1}$ .

3.  $\dim_K(\text{Soc}(S/I)_e) = \begin{cases} h_q, & \text{if } n \geq 3 \text{ and } e = e_q \text{ for a } q \leq s \text{ with } \alpha_q \neq 0. \\ \sum_q h_q, & \text{if } n = 2 \text{ and } q \in \{\epsilon | e = e_\epsilon \text{ for } \epsilon \leq s \text{ with } \alpha_\epsilon \neq 0\}. \\ 0, & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$

*Proof.* 1. First suppose  $t' < t$ . A minimal generator  $x^\beta = x_1^{\beta_1} \cdots x_n^{\beta_n}$  of  $J_t$  has the form

$$(x_1 \cdots x_n)^{d_t-1} \prod_{j \geq t} (x_1^{\lambda_{1j}d_j} \cdots x_n^{\lambda_{nj}d_j}), \text{ where } \sum_{\nu=1}^n \lambda_{\nu j} = \begin{cases} \alpha_j, & \text{if } j > t, \\ \alpha_t - 1, & \text{if } j = t. \end{cases}$$

Thus,  $\beta_i = d_t - 1 + \sum_{j=t}^s \lambda_{ij}d_j$ . On the other hand,  $d_t - 1 = \sum_{j=0}^{t-1} (d_{j+1}/d_j - 1)d_j$ , so  $\beta_i$  has the writing  $\sum_{j=0}^s \beta_{ij}d_j$ , where  $\beta_{ij} = d_{j+1}/d_j - 1$  for  $j < t$  and  $\beta_{ij} = \lambda_{ij}$  for  $j \geq t$ .

Assume that  $x^\beta \in I + J_{t'}$  for a certain  $t' < t$ . Then there exists  $\gamma \in \mathbb{N}^n$  such that  $x^\gamma \in G(I)$  (or  $x^\gamma \in G(J_{t'})$ ) and  $x^\gamma | x^\beta$ , that is  $\gamma_i \leq \beta_i$  for all  $1 \leq i \leq n$ . Let  $\gamma_i = \sum_{j=0}^s \gamma_{ij}d_j$ , the  $\mathbf{d}$ -decomposition of  $\gamma_i$ . We notice that  $(\beta_{is}, \dots, \beta_{i0}) \geq (\gamma_{is}, \dots, \gamma_{i0})$  in the lexicographic order.

Note that all minimal generators  $x^\gamma$  of  $I$  have the same degree  $\alpha < e_t$  and  $\sum_{i=1}^n \gamma_{iq} = \alpha_q$  for each  $0 \leq q \leq s$ . Also all minimal generators  $x^\gamma$  of  $J_{t'}$  have the same degree  $e_{t'} < e_t$  and  $\sum_{i=1}^n \gamma_{iq} = \alpha_q$  for each  $t \leq q \leq s$ . It follows  $\deg(x^\beta) > \deg(x^\gamma)$  and so  $\beta_i > \gamma_i$  for some  $i$ . Choose a maximal  $q < s$  such that  $\beta_{iq} > \gamma_{iq}$  for some  $i$ . Thus  $\beta_{ij} = \gamma_{ij}$  for  $j > q$ . It follows  $\beta_{iq} \geq \gamma_{iq}$  since  $(\beta_{is}, \dots, \beta_{i0}) \geq_{lex} (\gamma_{is}, \dots, \gamma_{i0})$ . If  $q \leq t$  then we have

$$\alpha_q = \sum_{i=1}^n \gamma_{iq} < \sum_{i=1}^n \beta_{iq} = \sum_{i=1}^n \lambda_{iq} \leq \alpha_q,$$

which is not possible. It follows  $q < t$  and so  $\beta_{it} = \gamma_{it}$  for each  $i$ . But this is not possible because we get  $\alpha_t = \sum_{i=1}^n \gamma_{it} = \sum_{i=1}^n \lambda_{it} = \alpha_t - 1$ . Hence  $x^\beta \notin I + J_{t'}$ .

Suppose now  $t' > t$ . If  $e_{t'} > e_t$ , then  $G(J_t) \cap G(J_{t'}) = \emptyset$  by degree reason. Assume  $e_t = e_{t'}$ . It follows  $n = 2$  by the previous remark. If  $x_1^{\beta_1} x_2^{\beta_2} \in G(J_t) \cap J_{t'}$  we necessarily get  $x_1^{\beta_1} x_2^{\beta_2} \in G(J_t) \cap G(J_{t'})$  again by degree reason. But this is not possible since it implies that  $\alpha_{t'} - 1 = \beta_{1t'} + \beta_{2t'} = \alpha_{t'}$ .

2. and 3. follows from 1. □

**Theorem 1.5.4.** Let  $u = \prod_{q=1}^r x_{i_1}^{\alpha_q}$ , where  $2 \leq i_1 < i_2 < \cdots < i_r \leq n$ . Let

$$I = \langle u \rangle_{\mathbf{d}} = \prod_{q=1}^r \prod_{j=0}^s (\mathbf{m}_q^{[d_j]})^{\alpha_{qj}},$$

where  $\alpha_q = \sum_{j=0}^s \alpha_{qj}d_j$ . Suppose  $i_r = n$ . Let  $1 \leq a \leq r$  be an integer and

$$P_a(I) := \{(\lambda, t) \in \mathbb{N}^a \times \mathbb{N}^a \mid 1 \leq \lambda_1 < \cdots < \lambda_a = r, t_a > \cdots > t_1, \alpha_{\lambda_\nu t_\nu} \neq 0, \text{ for } 1 \leq \nu \leq a\}.$$

Let  $J = \sum_{a=1}^r \sum_{(\lambda, t) \in P_a(I)} J_{(\lambda, t)}$ , where  $J_{(\lambda, t)}$  is the ideal

$$\prod_{e=1}^a (x_{i_{\lambda_e}} \cdots x_{i_{\lambda_{e-1}+1}})^{d_{t_e}-1} \prod_{\nu=1}^a \mathbf{m}_{\lambda_\nu}^{[d_{t_\nu}+1]} \prod_{j > t_\nu} (\mathbf{m}_{\lambda_\nu}^{[d_j]})^{\alpha_{\lambda_\nu j}} (\mathbf{m}_{\lambda_\nu}^{[d_{t_\nu}]} )^{\alpha_{\lambda_\nu, t_\nu}-1} \prod_{q=\lambda_{\nu-1}+1}^{\lambda_\nu-1} \prod_{j \geq t_\nu} (\mathbf{m}_q^{[d_j]})^{\alpha_{qj}},$$

where we denote  $\mathbf{m}^{[d_{t_a+1}]} = S$ . Then  $\text{Soc}(S/I) = (J + I)/I$ .



*Proof.* The proof will be given by induction on  $r$ , the case  $r = 1$  being done in Lemma 1.5.1. Suppose that  $r > 1$ . For  $1 \leq q \leq r$ , let:  $I_q = \prod_{e=1}^q \prod_{j=0}^s (\mathbf{m}_e^{[d_j]})^{\alpha_{ej}}$  and  $S_q = k[x_1, x_2, \dots, x_{i_q}]$ . For  $t$  with  $\alpha_{rt} \neq 0$ , denote:

$$I^{(t)} = \mathbf{m}_{r-1}^{[d_t]} \prod_{j < t} (\mathbf{m}_{r-1}^{[d_j]})^{\alpha_{r-1,j}} I_{r-2}.$$

Let  $J^{(t)}$  be an ideal in  $S_{r-1}$  such that  $\text{Soc}(S_{r-1}/I^{(t)}) = (J^{(t)} + I^{(t)})/I^{(t)}$ . The induction step is given in the following lemma:

**Lemma 1.5.5.** *Suppose  $i_r = n$  and let*

$$J = \sum_{t=0, \alpha_{rt} \neq 0} (x_n \cdots x_{i_{r-1}+1})^{d_t-1} \prod_{j > t} (\mathbf{m}_r^{[d_j]})^{\alpha_{rj}} \prod_{j \geq t} (\mathbf{m}_{r-1}^{[d_j]})^{\alpha_{r-1,j}} (\mathbf{m}_r^{[d_t]})^{\alpha_{rt}-1} J^{(t)}.$$

*Then  $\text{Soc}(S/I) = (J + I)/I$ .*

*Proof.* Let  $w \in S \setminus I$  be a monomial such that  $\mathbf{m}_r w \subset I$ . As in the proof of lemma 1.5.1, we choose for each  $1 \leq \rho \leq n$ ,  $e_\rho = \max\{e : x_\rho^{d_e-1} | w\}$ . Renumbering variables  $\{x_n, \dots, x_{i_{r-1}+1}\}$  (it does not affect  $I$ ,  $J$  and  $I^{(t)}$ ), we may suppose  $e_n \leq e_{n-1} \leq \dots \leq e_{i_{r-1}+1}$ . Set  $t = e_n$ . We claim that  $\alpha_{rt} \neq 0$ . Indeed, if  $\alpha_{rt} = 0$  then from  $x_n w \in I$  we get  $x_n w / x_n^{d_t-1} \in \tilde{I} = \prod_{j > t} (\mathbf{m}_r^{[d_j]})^{\alpha_{rj}} I_{r-1}$  because  $x_n^{d_t-1} \in \prod_{j < t} (\mathbf{m}_r^{[d_j]})^{\alpha_{rj}}$ . Since  $t = e_n$  is maximal chosen, we get  $w / x_n^{d_t-1} \in \tilde{I}$  and so  $w \in I$  a contradiction.

Reduction to the case that  $x_n^{d_t}$  does not divide  $w$ . Suppose that  $w = x_n^{d_t} \tilde{w}$  and set

$$\tilde{I} = (\mathbf{m}_r^{[d_t]})^{\alpha_{rt}-1} \prod_{\epsilon \leq 0, \epsilon \neq t} (\mathbf{m}_r^{[d_\epsilon]})^{\alpha_{r\epsilon}} I_{r-1}.$$

We see that  $\mathbf{m}w \in I \Leftrightarrow \mathbf{m}\tilde{w} \in \tilde{I}$ . Replacing  $w$  and  $I$  with  $\tilde{w}$  and  $\tilde{I}$ , we reduce our problem to a new  $\tilde{t} < t$ . The above argument implies that  $\tilde{\alpha}_{\tilde{r}\tilde{t}} \neq 0$ , where  $\tilde{\alpha}$  is the 'new'  $\alpha$  of  $\tilde{I}$ .

Reduction to the case when  $\alpha_{rj} = \alpha_{r-1,j} = 0$  for  $j > t$ ,  $\alpha_{rt} = 1$  and  $\alpha_{r-1,t} = 0$ . From  $x_n w \in I$ , we see that there exists  $\rho < n$  such that  $x_\rho^{d_j} | w$  for  $j > t$  if  $\alpha_{rj} \neq 0$ , or  $j = t$  if  $\alpha_{rt} > 1$ . Choose such maximal possible  $\rho$ . Set  $w' = w / x_\rho^{d_j}$ ,

$$I' = (\mathbf{m}_r^{[d_j]})^{\alpha_{rj}-1} \prod_{\epsilon \geq 0, \epsilon \neq j} (\mathbf{m}_r^{[d_\epsilon]})^{\alpha_{r\epsilon}} I_{r-1}.$$

We see that  $\mathbf{m}w \subset I \Leftrightarrow \mathbf{m}w' \subset I'$ , because from  $x_n w \in I$ , we get  $x_n w' \in I'$  from the maximality of  $\rho$ .

Let  $\alpha'_{rj} = \alpha_{rj} - 1$  and  $\alpha'_{q\epsilon} = \alpha_{q\epsilon}$  for  $(q, \epsilon) \neq (r, j)$ .  $\alpha'$  is the 'new'  $\alpha$  for  $I'$ . If we show that

$$w' \in J' = \sum_{e \geq 0, \alpha'_{re} \neq 0} (x_n \cdots x_{i_{r-1}+1})^{d_e-1} \prod_{\epsilon > e} (\mathbf{m}_r^{[d_\epsilon]})^{\alpha_{r\epsilon}} \prod_{j \geq e} (\mathbf{m}_{r-1}^{[d_j]})^{\alpha_{r-1,j}} (\mathbf{m}_r^{[d_e]})^{\alpha_{re}-1} J^{(t)},$$

then  $w = x_\rho^{d_j} w' \in \mathbf{m}_r^{[d_j]} J' \subset J$ . Using this procedure, by recurrence we arrive to the case  $\alpha_{rj} = 0$  for  $j > t$  and  $\alpha_{rt} = 1$ . Again from  $x_n w \in I$ , we note that there exists  $\rho < i_{r-1}$  such that  $x_\rho^{d_j} | w$  for  $j \geq t$  with  $\alpha_{r-1,j} \neq 0$ . Choose such maximal possible  $\rho$  and note that  $\mathbf{m}w \subset I$  if and only if  $\mathbf{m}w'' \in I''$  for  $w'' = w/x_\rho^{d_j}$ , where

$$I'' = (\mathbf{m}_{r-1}^{d_j})^{\alpha_{r-1,j-1}} \prod_{\epsilon \geq 0, \epsilon \neq j} (\mathbf{m}_{r-1}^{[d_\epsilon]})^{\alpha_{r-1,\epsilon}} \prod_{\epsilon \geq 0} (\mathbf{m}_r^{[d_\epsilon]})^{\alpha_{r\epsilon}} I_{r-2}.$$

As above, we reduce our problem to  $I''$  and the  $\alpha''$ , which is the new  $\alpha$  of  $I''$ , is given by  $\alpha''_{r-1,j} = \alpha_{r-1,j-1}$ ,  $\alpha''_{q\epsilon} = \alpha_{q\epsilon}$  for  $(q, \epsilon) \neq (r-1, j)$ . Using this procedure, by recurrence we end our reduction.

Case  $\alpha_{rj} = \alpha_{r-1j} = 0$  for  $j > t$ ,  $\alpha_{rt} = 1$ ,  $\alpha_{r-1t} = 0$  and  $x_n^{d_t}$  does not divide  $w$ . Let express  $w = (x_n \cdots x_{i_{r-1}+1})^{d_t-1} y$ . We will show that  $y$  does not depend on  $\{x_n, \dots, x_{i_{r-1}+1}\}$ . Indeed, if  $n = i_{r-1} + 1$  then there is nothing to show since  $x_n^{d_t}$  does not divide  $w$ . Suppose that  $n > i_{r-1} + 1$ , then from  $x_n w \in I$  we get  $y \in I_{r-1}$  because  $x_{n-1}^{d_t-1} \in \prod_{j < t} (\mathbf{m}_r^{d_j})^{\alpha_{rj}}$  and the variables  $x_n, \dots, x_{i_{r-1}+1}$  are regular on  $S/I_{r-1}S$ . If  $y = x_\eta y'$  for  $\eta > i_{r-1}$ , then as above  $y' \in I_{r-1}$ . Thus  $w \in x_\eta^{d_t} x_\rho^{d_t-1} y' \subset I$  for any  $\rho \neq \eta$ ,  $i_{r-1} < \rho \leq n$ , a contradiction.

Note that  $\mathbf{m}_r w \in I \Rightarrow \mathbf{m}_{r-1} y \in I^{(t)}$  and so  $w \in (x_n \cdots x_{i_{r-1}+1})^{d_t-1} J^{(t)}$ . Since  $\alpha_{rj} = \alpha_{r-1j} = 0$  for  $j > t$  and  $\alpha_{rt} = 1$  and  $\alpha_{r-1,t} = 0$ , we get  $w \in J$ . Conversely, if  $y \in J^{(t)}$ , then it is clear that  $w \in J$ .  $\square$

We see by the above lemma that:

$$(*) J = \sum_{e \geq 0, \alpha_{re} \neq 0} (x_n \cdots x_{i_{r-1}+1})^{d_e-1} \prod_{j > e} (\mathbf{m}_{r-1}^{[d_j]})^{\alpha_{rj}} \prod_{j \geq e} (\mathbf{m}_{r-1}^{[d_j]})^{\alpha_{r-1,j}} (\mathbf{m}_r^{[d_e]})^{\alpha_{re}-1} J^{(e)}.$$

Since  $\lambda_a = r-1$ , by the induction hypothesis applied to  $I^{(e)}$  we get:

$$\begin{aligned} J^{(e)} &= \sum_{a=1}^{r-1} \left[ \sum_{(\lambda, t) \in P_a(I^{(e)}), t_a = e} \prod_{s=1}^a (x_{i_{\lambda_s}} \cdots x_{i_{\lambda_{s-1}+1}})^{d_{t_s}-1} \cdot J'_{(\lambda, t)} + \right. \\ &\quad \left. + \sum_{(\lambda, t) \in P_a(I^{(e)}), t_a < e} \prod_{s=1}^a (x_{i_{\lambda_s}} \cdots x_{i_{\lambda_{s-1}+1}})^{d_{t_s}-1} \cdot J''_{(\lambda, t)} \right], \text{ where} \\ J'_{(\lambda, t)} &= \prod_{q=\lambda_{a-1}+1}^{\lambda_a-1} \prod_{j \geq e} (\mathbf{m}_q^{[d_j]})^{\alpha_{qj}} \tilde{J}_{(\lambda, t)} \text{ and} \\ J''_{(\lambda, t)} &= \mathbf{m}_{r-1}^{[d_e]} \prod_{j > t_a}^{e-1} (\mathbf{m}_{\lambda_a}^{[d_j]})^{\alpha_{\lambda_a, j}} (\mathbf{m}_{\lambda_a}^{[d_{t_a}]} )^{\alpha_{\lambda_a, t_a}-1} \cdot \prod_{q=\lambda_{a-1}+1}^{\lambda_a-1} \prod_{j \geq t_a} (\mathbf{m}_q^{[d_j]})^{\alpha_{qj}} \tilde{J}_{(\lambda, t)}, \text{ and} \\ \tilde{J}_{(\lambda, t)} &= \prod_{\nu=1}^{a-1} \mathbf{m}_{\lambda_\nu}^{[d_{t_\nu+1}]} \prod_{j > t_\nu} (\mathbf{m}_{\lambda_\nu}^{[d_j]})^{\alpha_{\lambda_\nu, j}} (\mathbf{m}_{\lambda_\nu}^{[d_{t_\nu}]} )^{\alpha_{\lambda_\nu, t_\nu}-1} \cdot \prod_{q=\lambda_{\nu-1}+1}^{\lambda_\nu-1} \prod_{j \geq t_\nu} (\mathbf{m}_q^{[d_j]})^{\alpha_{qj}}. \end{aligned}$$

If  $t_a = e$ , set  $\lambda'_\nu = \lambda_\nu$  for  $\nu < a$ ,  $\lambda'_a = r$  and see that  $(\lambda', t) \in P_a(I)$ . If  $t_a < e$ , then put  $\lambda''_\nu = \lambda_\nu$  for  $\nu \leq a$ ,  $\lambda''_{a+1} = r$ ,  $t''_\nu = t_\nu$  for  $\nu \leq a$  and  $t''_{a+1} = e$  and then  $(\lambda'', t) \in P_{a+1}(I)$ . Substituting  $J^{(e)}$  in (\*), we get the following expression for  $J$ :

$$\begin{aligned} & \sum_{a=1}^{r-1} \sum_{(\lambda', t) \in P_a(I)} \prod_{\nu=1}^a (x_{i_{\lambda'_\nu}} \cdots x_{i_{\lambda'_{\nu-1}+1}})^{d_{t_\nu}-1} \cdot [\prod_{j>e} (\mathbf{m}_{\lambda'_a}^{[d_j]})^{\alpha_{\lambda'_a j}} (\mathbf{m}_{\lambda'_a}^{[d_e]})^{\alpha_{\lambda'_a e}-1} \cdot \prod_{q=\lambda'_{a-1}+1}^{\lambda'_a-1} \prod_{j \geq e} (\mathbf{m}_q^{[d_j]})^{\alpha_{qj}}] \\ & \cdot \tilde{J}_{(\lambda, t)} + \sum_{a=1}^{r-1} \sum_{(\lambda'', t'') \in P_{a+1}(I)} \prod_{\nu=1}^{a+1} (x_{i_{\lambda''_\nu}} \cdots x_{i_{\lambda''_{\nu-1}+1}})^{d_{t''_\nu}-1} \cdot [\prod_{j>e} (\mathbf{m}_{\lambda''_{a+1}}^{[d_j]})^{\alpha_{\lambda''_{a+1} j}} (\mathbf{m}_{\lambda''_{a+1}}^{[d_{t''_{a+1}}]})^{\alpha_{\lambda''_{a+1} t''_{a+1}}-1}] \\ & [\mathbf{m}_{\lambda''_a}^{[d_{t''_{a+1}}]} \prod_{j \geq t''_a} (\mathbf{m}_{\lambda''_a}^{[d_j]})^{\alpha_{\lambda''_a j}} (\mathbf{m}_{\lambda''_a}^{[d_{t''_a}]} )^{\alpha_{\lambda''_a t''_a}-1} \prod_{q=\lambda''_{a-1}+1}^{\lambda''_a-1} \prod_{j \geq t''_a} (\mathbf{m}_q^{[d_j]})^{\alpha_{qj}}] \cdot \tilde{J}_{(\lambda, t)}. \end{aligned}$$

Since all the pairs of  $P_b(I)$  have the form  $(\lambda', t)$  or  $(\lambda'', t'')$  for a pair  $(\lambda, t) \in P_b(I)$  or  $(\lambda, t) \in P_{b-1}(I)$  respectively, it is not hard to see that the expression above is the formula of  $J$  as stated.  $\square$

Let  $s_q = \max\{j | \alpha_{qj} \neq 0\}$ ,  $d_{qt} = \sum_{e=1}^q \sum_{j \geq t}^{s_q} \alpha_{ej} d_j$ ,  $D_q = d_{q, s_q} + (i_q - 1)(d_{s_q} - 1)$  for  $1 \leq q \leq r$ .

**Corollary 1.5.6.** *With the notation and hypothesis of above theorem, for  $(\lambda, t) \in P_a(I)$  let:*

$$d_{(\lambda, t)} = \sum_{\nu=1}^a \sum_{q=\lambda_{\nu-1}+1}^{\lambda_\nu} \sum_{j \geq t_\nu} \alpha_{qj} d_j. \text{ Then :}$$

1.  $\text{Soc}(I_{r-1}S/I) = \text{Soc}(S/I)$ .
2.  $((J+I)/I)_e \neq 0$ , if and only if  $e = d_{(\lambda, t)} + \sum_{\nu=1}^a (i_{\lambda_\nu} - i_{\lambda_{\nu-1}})(d_{t_\nu} - 1) - d_{t_1}$ , for some  $1 \leq a \leq r$  and  $(\lambda, t) \in P_a(I)$ .
3.  $c = \max\{e | ((J+I)/I)_e \neq 0\} = d_{r, s_r} + (n-1)(d_{s_r} - 1) - 1$ .

*Proof.* 1. Note that  $J_{(\lambda, t)}$  is contained in

$$\prod_{q=1, q \notin \{\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_q\}}^r (\mathbf{m}_q^{[d_j]})^{\alpha_{qj}} \prod_{\nu=1}^a [\prod_{j \neq t_\nu} (\mathbf{m}_{\lambda_\nu}^{[d_j]})^{\alpha_{\lambda_\nu j}} (\mathbf{m}_{\lambda_\nu}^{[d_{t_\nu}]} )^{\alpha_{\lambda_\nu t_\nu}-1}] \prod_{\epsilon=1}^{a-1} \mathbf{m}_{\lambda_{\epsilon+1}}^{d_{t_\epsilon}+1}.$$

Since  $\mathbf{m}_{\lambda_\epsilon}^{d_{t_\epsilon}+1} \subset \mathbf{m}_{\lambda_\epsilon}^{d_{t_\epsilon}}$  for  $t_{\epsilon+1} > t_\epsilon$  and  $\lambda_a = r$  it follows that

$$J \subset \prod_{j \neq t_a} (\mathbf{m}_r^{[d_j]})^{\alpha_{rj}} (\mathbf{m}_r^{[d_{t_a}]} )^{\alpha_{rt_a}-1} I_{r-1},$$

as desired.

2.If  $((J + I)/I)_e \neq 0$  then there exists a monomial  $u \in J \setminus I$  of degree  $e$ . But  $u \in J$ , implies that there exists  $a \in \{1, \dots, r\}$  and  $(\lambda, t) \in P_a(I)$  such that  $u \in J_{(\lambda, t)}$ . Thus the degree of  $u$  is  $e = d_{(\lambda, t)} + \sum_{\nu=1}^a (i_{\lambda_\nu} - i_{\lambda_{\nu-1}})(d_{t_\nu} - 1) - d_{t_1}$ , as required.

Conversely, let  $e = d_{(\lambda, t)} + \sum_{\nu=1}^a (i_{\lambda_\nu} - i_{\lambda_{\nu-1}})(d_{t_\nu} - 1) - d_{t_1}$  for some  $a \in \{1, \dots, r\}$  and  $(\lambda, t) \in P_a(I)$ . We show that the monomial

$$w = \prod_{\nu=1}^a (x_{i_{\lambda_\nu}} \cdots x_{i_{\lambda_{\nu-1}+1}})^{d_{t_\nu}-1} \cdot x_1^{d_{(\lambda, t)}-d_{t_1}} \in J \setminus I.$$

Obvious  $w \in J$ . Let us assume that  $w \notin I$ . Then  $w/x_{i_{\lambda_a}}^{d_{t_a}-1} \in \prod_{j \geq t_a} (\mathbf{m}_{\lambda_a}^{[d_j]})^{\alpha_{\lambda_a j}} I_{\lambda_a-1}$  because  $x_{i_{\lambda_a}}^{d_{t_a}-1} \in \prod_{j < t_a} (\mathbf{m}_{\lambda_a}^{[d_j]})^{\alpha_{\lambda_a j}}$  and  $x_{i_{\lambda_a}} \notin \mathbf{m}_j$  for  $j < \lambda_a$ . Inductively we get that:

$$w/(x_{i_{\lambda_a}} \cdots x_{i_{\lambda_{a-1}+1}})^{d_{t_a}-1} \in \prod_{q=\lambda_{a-1}+1}^{\lambda_a} \prod_{j \geq t_a} (\mathbf{m}_{\lambda_a}^{[d_j]})^{\alpha_{qj}} I_{\lambda_a-1}.$$

Following the same reduction and using that  $t_a > \dots > t_1$  we obtain that:

$$x_1^{d_{(\lambda, t)}-d_{t_1}} \in \prod_{\nu=1}^a \prod_{q=\lambda_{\nu-1}+1}^{\lambda_\nu} \prod_{j \geq t_\nu} (\mathbf{m}_{\lambda_a}^{[d_j]})^{\alpha_{qj}}.$$

So  $d_{(\lambda, t)} - d_{t_1} \geq d_{(\lambda, t)}$ , a contradiction.

3.Note that  $c = d_{(\lambda', t')}$  for  $(\lambda', t') \in P_1(I)$  with  $\lambda' = \lambda_1 = r$  and  $t' = t_1 = s_r$ . We have to show that:

$$c = d_{r, s_r} + (n-1)(d_{s_r} - 1) - 1 \leq d_{(\lambda, t)} + \sum_{\nu=1}^a (i_{\lambda_\nu} - i_{\lambda_{\nu-1}})(d_{t_\nu} - 1) - d_{t_1},$$

for any  $1 \leq a \leq r$  and  $(\lambda, t) \in P_a(I)$ . Since  $d_{s_r} - 1 \leq (d_{t_\nu} - 1) + \sum_{j \leq t_\nu}^{s_r-1} \alpha_{qj} d_j$  for all  $q$  with  $i_{\nu-1} < q \leq i_\nu$ , we see that:

$$d_{r, s_r} + (n-1)(d_{s_r} - 1) - 1 \geq d_{(\lambda, t)} + \sum_{\nu=2}^a (i_{\lambda_\nu} - i_{\lambda_{\nu-1}})(d_{t_\nu} - 1) + (i_{\lambda_1} - 1)(d_{t_1} - 1) - 1.$$

On the other hand,  $(i_{\lambda_1} - i_{\lambda_0})(d_{t_1} - 1) = (i_{\lambda_1} - 1)(d_{t_1} - 1) + d_{t_1} - 1$ , and replacing that in the above relation we obtained what is required.  $\square$

**Example 1.5.7.** Let  $\mathbf{d} : 1|2|4|12$ .

1. Let  $u = x_3^{21}$ . We have  $\alpha_0 = 1$ ,  $\alpha_1 = 0$ ,  $\alpha_2 = 2$  and  $\alpha_3 = 1$  so:

$$I = \langle u \rangle_{\mathbf{d}} = (x_1, x_2, x_3)(x_1^4, x_2^4, x_3^4)^2(x_1^{12}, x_2^{12}, x_3^{12}).$$

Let  $J = \sum_{t=0, \alpha_t > 0} J_t$ , where  $J_t = (x_1 x_2 x_3)^{d_t-1} (x_1^{d_t}, x_2^{d_t}, x_3^{d_t})^{\alpha_t-1} \prod_{j > t} (x_1^{d_j}, x_2^{d_j}, x_3^{d_j})^{\alpha_j}$ .

$$J_0 = (x_1 x_2 x_3)^{1-1} \cdot (x_1, x_2, x_3)^{1-1} \cdot \prod_{j > 0} (x_1^{d_j}, x_2^{d_j}, x_3^{d_j})^{\alpha_j} = (x_1^4, x_2^4, x_3^4)^2 (x_1^{12}, x_2^{12}, x_3^{12}).$$

$$J_2 = (x_1 x_2 x_3)^{4-1} (x_1^4, x_2^4, x_3^4)^{2-1} (x_1^{12}, x_2^{12}, x_3^{12}) = (x_1 x_2 x_3)^3 (x_1^4, x_2^4, x_3^4) (x_1^4, x_2^4, x_3^{12}) \text{ and}$$

$$J_3 = (x_1 x_2 x_3)^{12-1} = (x_1 x_2 x_3)^{11}. \text{ From 1.5.1, } \text{Soc}(S/I) = (J + I)/I.$$

2. Let  $u = x_2^9 x_3^{16}$ . We have  $r = 2$ ,  $i_1 = 2$  and  $i_2 = 3$ . Also  $\alpha_{10} = 1$ ,  $\alpha_{12} = 2$ ,  $\alpha_{22} = 1$ ,  $\alpha_{23} = 1$  and the other components of  $\alpha$  are zero. Then

$$I = \langle u \rangle_{\mathbf{d}} = \langle x_2^9 \rangle_{\mathbf{d}} \langle x_3^{16} \rangle_{\mathbf{d}} = (x_1, x_2)(x_1^4, x_2^4)^2(x_1^4, x_2^4, x_3^4)(x_1^{12}, x_2^{12}, x_3^{12}).$$

We have two possible partitions: (a) (2) and (b) (1 < 2).

(a)  $\lambda = \lambda_1 = 2$ ,  $t = t_1$  such that  $\alpha_{2t} \neq 0$ . We have two possible  $t$ :  $t = 2$  or  $t = 3$ .

(i) For  $t = 2$  we obtain (according to the Theorem 1.5.4) the following part of the socle:

$$J_{(2,2)} = (x_1 x_2 x_3)^3 (x_1^{12}, x_2^{12}, x_3^{12}) (x_1^4, x_2^4)^4$$

(ii) For  $t = 3$  we obtain:

$$J_{(2,3)} = (x_1 x_2 x_3)^{11}$$

(b)  $1 = \lambda_1 < \lambda_2 = 2$ ,  $t = (t_1, t_2)$  such that  $\alpha_{\lambda_e, t_e} \neq 0$  for  $1 \leq e \leq 2$  and  $t_1 < t_2$ . According to our expressions for  $\alpha_i$  we have three possible cases:  $t_1 = 0, t_2 = 2$  or  $t_1 = 0, t_2 = 3$  or  $t_1 = 2, t_2 = 3$ .

(i) For  $t_1 = 0$  and  $t_2 = 2$  we obtain:

$$J_{(1,2),(0,2)} = x_3^3 (x_1^4, x_2^4) (x_1^4, x_2^4)^2 (x_1^{12}, x_2^{12}, x_3^{12}).$$

(ii) For  $t_1 = 0$  and  $t_2 = 3$  we obtain:

$$J_{(1,2),(0,3)} = x_3^{11} (x_1^{12}, x_2^{12}) (x_1^4, x_2^4)^2$$

(iii) For  $t_1 = 2$  and  $t_2 = 3$  we obtain:

$$J_{(1,2),(2,3)} = x_1^3 x_2^3 x_3^{11} (x_1^{12}, x_2^{12}) (x_1^4, x_2^4)$$

From 2.4 it follows that if  $J = J_{(2,2)} + J_{(2,3)} + J_{(1,2),(0,2)} + J_{(1,2),(0,3)} + J_{(1,2),(2,3)}$  then  $\text{Soc}(S/I) = (I + J)/J$ .

## 1.6 A generalization of Pardue's formula.

In this section, we give a generalization of a theorem proved by Aramova-Herzog [3] and Herzog-Popescu [24] which is known as "Pardue's formula".

Let  $1 \leq i_1 < i_2 < \dots < i_r = n$  and let  $\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_r$  be some positive integers. Let  $u = \prod_{i=1}^r x_{i_q}^{\alpha_q} \in S = K[x_1, \dots, x_n]$ . Let  $I = \langle u \rangle_{\mathbf{d}}$  the principal  $\mathbf{d}$ -fixed ideal generated by  $u$ . From Proposition 1.4.11 it follows that  $I = \prod_{r=1}^q \prod_{j=0}^s (\mathbf{m}_q^{[d_j]})^{\alpha_{qj}}$ , where  $\alpha_q = \sum_{j=0}^s \alpha_{qj} d_j$ . If  $i_1 = 1$ , it follows that  $I = x_1^{\alpha_1} I'$ , where  $I' = \prod_{r=2}^q \prod_{j=0}^s (\mathbf{m}_q^{[d_j]})^{\alpha_{qj}}$ , and therefore  $\text{reg}(I) = \alpha_1 + \text{reg}(I')$ . Thus, we may assume  $i_1 \geq 2$ .

If  $N$  is a graded  $S$ -module of finite length, we denote  $s(N) = \max\{i | N_i \neq 0\}$ . Let  $s_q = \max\{j | \alpha_{qj} \neq 0\}$  and  $d_{qt} = \sum_{e=1}^q \sum_{j \geq t}^{s_e} \alpha_{ej} d_j$ . Let  $D_q = d_{qs_q} + (i_q - 1)(d_{s_q} - 1)$ , for  $1 \leq q \leq r$ . With this notations we have:

**Theorem 1.6.1.**  $\text{reg}(I) = \max_{1 \leq q \leq r} D_q$ . In particular, if  $I = \langle x_n^\alpha \rangle_{\mathbf{d}}$  and  $\alpha = \sum_{t=0}^s \alpha_t d_t$  with  $\alpha_s \neq 0$  then  $\text{reg}(I) = \alpha_s d_s + (n-1)(d_s-1)$ .

*Proof.* Let  $I_\ell = \prod_{q=1}^{r-\ell} \prod_{j=0}^s (\mathbf{m}_q^{[d_j]})^{\alpha_{qj}}$ , for  $0 \leq \ell \leq r$ . Then  $I = I_0 \subset I_1 \subset \dots \subset I_r = S$  is the sequential chain of ideals of  $I$ , i.e.  $I_{\ell+1} = (I_\ell : x_{n_\ell}^\infty)$ , where  $n_\ell = i_{r-\ell}$ . Let  $S_\ell = k[x_1, \dots, x_{n_\ell}]$  and  $m_\ell = (x_1, \dots, x_{n_\ell})$ . Let  $J_\ell \subset S_\ell$  be the ideal generated by  $G(I_\ell)$ .

The Corollary 1.5.6 implies that  $c_e = D_e - 1$  is the maximal degree for a nonzero element of  $\text{Soc}(S_\ell/J_\ell)$ . Proposition 1.2.2 implies  $\text{reg}(I) = \max\{s(J_\ell^{\text{sat}}/J_\ell) \mid \ell = 0, \dots, r-1\} + 1$ . Also, from the Corollary 1.5.6, we get

$$s(J_\ell^{\text{sat}}/J_\ell) = s(\text{Soc}(J_\ell^{\text{sat}}/J_\ell)) = s(\text{Soc}(S_\ell/J_\ell)) = D_e - 1,$$

which complete the proof. Indeed, for the first equality, if  $u \in J_\ell^{\text{sat}} \setminus J_\ell$  and  $\deg(u) = s(J_\ell^{\text{sat}}/J_\ell)$  it follows that  $u \in \text{Soc}(J_\ell^{\text{sat}}/J_\ell)$ , since  $\mathbf{m}u \subset J_\ell$  by degree reasons.  $\square$

**Corollary 1.6.2.**  $\text{reg}(I) \leq n \cdot (\deg(u) - 1) + 1$ .

**Corollary 1.6.3.**  $S/I$  has at most  $r$ -corners among  $(i_q, D_q - 1)$  for  $1 \leq q \leq r$ . If  $i_1 = 1$  we replace  $(i_1, D_1 - 1)$  with  $(1, \alpha_1)$ . The corresponding extremal Betti numbers are  $\beta_{i_q, D_q + i_q - 1}$ .

*Proof.* By Theorem 1.1.6 combined with the proof of Theorem 1.6.1,  $S/I$  has at most  $r$ -corners among  $(n_\ell, s(I_{\ell+1}S_\ell/I_\ell S_\ell))$  and is enough to apply Corollary 1.5.6.  $\square$

**Example 1.6.4.** Let  $\mathbf{d} : 1|2|4|12$ .

1. Let  $u = x_3^{21} \in k[x_1, x_2, x_3]$ . We have  $21 = 1 \cdot 1 + 0 \cdot 2 + 2 \cdot 4 + 1 \cdot 12$ . From 3.1, we get:

$$\text{reg}(\langle u \rangle_{\mathbf{d}}) = 1 \cdot 12 + (3-1) \cdot (12-1) = 34.$$

2. Let  $u = x_1^2 x_2^{16} x_3^9$ . Then  $\text{reg}(\langle u \rangle_{\mathbf{d}}) = 2 + \text{reg}(\langle u' \rangle_{\mathbf{d}})$ , where  $u' = u/x_1^2$ . We compute  $\text{reg}(\langle u' \rangle_{\mathbf{d}})$ . With the notations above, we have  $i_1 = 2$ ,  $i_2 = 3$ ,  $r = 2$ ,  $\alpha_1 = 16$  and  $\alpha_2 = 9$ . We have  $\alpha_1 = 1 \cdot 4 + 1 \cdot 12$  and  $\alpha_2 = 1 \cdot 1 + 2 \cdot 4$ , thus  $s_1 = 3$  and  $s_2 = 2$ .  $D_1 = d_{13} + (2-1)(d_3-1) = 12 + 11 = 23$  and  $D_2 = d_{22} + (3-1)(d_2-1) = 24 + 6 = 30$ . In conclusion,  $\text{reg}(\langle u \rangle_{\mathbf{d}}) = 2 + \max\{23, 30\} = 32$ .
3. Let  $u = x_a^\alpha x_b^\beta$ , with  $1 < a < b \leq n$  and  $\beta < \alpha$ ,  $\beta|\alpha$  be two integers. Set  $d_1 = \beta$ ,  $d_2 = \alpha$  and let  $I$  be the principal  $\mathbf{d}$ -fixed ideal generated by  $u$ . Obviously  $I = \text{SBT}(u) = (x_1^\alpha, \dots, x_a^\alpha)(x_1^\beta, \dots, x_b^\beta)$ . We have  $i_1 = a$ ,  $i_2 = b$ ,  $s_1 = 2$ ,  $s_2 = 1$ ,  $d_{1s_1} = \alpha$ ,  $d_{2s_2} = \alpha + \beta$ ,  $D_1 = \alpha + (a-1)(\alpha-1) = a(\alpha-1) + 1 = \chi_1 + 1$ ,  $D_2 = \alpha + \beta + (b-1)(\beta-1) = \alpha + b(\beta-1) + 1 = \chi_2 + 1$  in the notations of Theorem 1.3.6. Note that 1.3.6 and 1.6.1 give the same regularity of  $I$ , namely  $\max\{D_1, D_2\}$ .

**Definition 1.6.5.** We say that a monomial ideal  $I \subset S$  is a  $\mathcal{D}$ -fixed ideal, if  $I$  is a sum of  $\mathbf{d}$ -fixed ideals, for various  $\mathbf{d}$ -sequences.

Since any  $\mathbf{d}$ -fixed ideal is a Borel type ideal and a sum of Borel type ideals is still a Borel type ideal, it follows that any  $\mathcal{D}$ -fixed ideal  $I$  is a Borel type ideal. Therefore, from Corollary 1.2.11 we get the next:

**Corollary 1.6.6.** *If  $I$  is a  $\mathcal{D}$ -fixed ideal then  $\text{reg}(I) = \min\{e : e \geq \deg(I), I_{\geq e} \text{ is stable}\}$ .*

We mention that this result was first obtained as a consequence of the proof of Pardue's formula by Herzog-Popescu [24] in the special case of a principal  $p$ -Borel ideal.

## 1.7 $\mathbf{d}$ -fixed ideals generated by powers of variables.

Firstly, let fix some notations. Let  $u_1, \dots, u_m \in S$  be some monomials. We say that  $I$  is the  $\mathbf{d}$ -fixed ideal generated by  $u_1, \dots, u_m$ , if  $I$  is the smallest  $\mathbf{d}$ -fixed ideal, w.r.t inclusion, which contained  $u_1, \dots, u_m$ , and we write  $I = \langle u_1, \dots, u_m \rangle_{\mathbf{d}}$ . In particular, if  $m = 1$ , we say that  $I$  is the principal  $\mathbf{d}$ -fixed ideal generated by  $u = u_1$  and we write  $I = \langle u \rangle_{\mathbf{d}}$ .

**Lemma 1.7.1.** *If  $1 \leq j \leq j' \leq n$  and  $\alpha \geq \beta$  are positive integer, then  $\langle x_j^\alpha \rangle \subset \langle x_{j'}^\beta \rangle$ .*

*Proof.* Indeed, using Proposition 1.4.9 it is enough to notice that  $\langle x_j^\alpha \rangle \subset \langle x_{j'}^\alpha \rangle$  which is true because  $x_j^\alpha \in \langle x_{j'}^\alpha \rangle$ .  $\square$

Our next goal is to give the minimal set of generators for a  $\mathbf{d}$ -fixed ideal generated by some powers of variables. Using the previous lemma, we had reduced to the next case:

**Proposition 1.7.2.** *Let  $n \geq 2$  and let  $1 \leq i_1 < i_2 < \dots < i_r = n$  be some integers. Let  $\alpha_1 < \alpha_2 < \dots < \alpha_r$  some positive integers. Then*

$$I = \langle x_{i_1}^{\alpha_1}, x_{i_2}^{\alpha_2}, \dots, x_{i_r}^{\alpha_r} \rangle_{\mathbf{d}} = \sum_{q=1}^r I^{(q)}, \text{ with } I^{(q)} = \sum_{\substack{0 \leq \gamma_1, \dots, \gamma_q \leq \mathbf{d} \alpha_q, \\ \gamma_1 + \dots + \gamma_i < \alpha_i, \text{ for } i < q \\ \gamma_1 + \dots + \gamma_i <_d \alpha_q, \text{ for } i < q \\ \gamma_1 + \dots + \gamma_q = \alpha_q}} \prod_{e=1}^q \prod_{t=0}^s (\mathbf{n}_e^{[d_t]})^{\gamma_{et}},$$

where  $\mathbf{n}_e = \{x_{i_{e-1}+1}, \dots, x_{i_e}\}$ ,  $\mathbf{n}_e^{[d_t]} = \{x_{i_{e-1}+1}^{d_t}, \dots, x_{i_e}^{d_t}\}$ ,  $i_0 = 0$  and  $\gamma_e = \sum_{t=0}^s \gamma_{et}$ .

*Proof.* Let  $\mathbf{m}_q = \{x_1, \dots, x_{i_q}\}$  for  $1 \leq q \leq r$ . Obviously,  $\mathbf{n}_q = \mathbf{m}_q \setminus \mathbf{m}_{q-1}$  for  $q > 0$  and  $\mathbf{n}_1 = \mathbf{m}_1$ . Using the obvious fact that  $I$  is the sum of principal  $\mathbf{d}$ -fixed ideals generated by the  $\mathbf{d}$ -generators of  $I$  together with Proposition 1.4.8 we get:

$$I = \sum_{q=1}^r \prod_{t=0}^s (\mathbf{m}_q^{[d_t]})^{\alpha_{qt}}, \text{ where } \alpha_q = \sum_{t=0}^s \alpha_{qt} d_t.$$

Denote  $S_q = K[x_1, \dots, x_{i_q}]$  for  $1 \leq q \leq r$ . In order to obtain the required formula, we use induction on  $r \geq 1$ , the case  $r = 1$  being obvious. Let  $r > 1$  and assume that the assertion is true for  $r - 1$ , i.e

$$I' = \langle x_{i_1}^{\alpha_1}, \dots, x_{i_{r-1}}^{\alpha_{r-1}} \rangle_{\mathbf{d}} = \sum_{q=1}^{r-1} \sum_{\substack{0 \leq \gamma_1, \dots, \gamma_q \leq \mathbf{d} \alpha_q, \\ \gamma_1 + \dots + \gamma_i < \alpha_i, \text{ for } i < q \\ \gamma_1 + \dots + \gamma_i <_d \alpha_q, \text{ for } i < q \\ \gamma_1 + \dots + \gamma_q = \alpha_q}} \prod_{e=1}^q \prod_{t=0}^s (\mathbf{n}_e^{[d_t]})^{\gamma_{et}} \subset S_{r-1}.$$

Obviously,  $I = I'S + \langle x_n^{\alpha_r} \rangle_{\mathbf{d}} = I'S + \prod_{t=0}^s (\mathbf{m}_r^{[d_t]})^{\alpha_{rt}}$ . Also,  $I'S$  and  $I'$  have the same set of minimal generators and none of the minimal generators of  $I'S$  is in  $I^{(r)}$ , because of degree.

But, a minimal generator of  $\langle x_n^{\alpha_r} \rangle_{\mathbf{d}}$  is of the form  $w = \prod_{t=0}^s \prod_{j=1}^n x_j^{\lambda_{tj} d_t}$  with  $0 \leq \lambda_{tj}$  and  $\sum_{j=1}^n \lambda_{tj} = \alpha_{rt}$ . Suppose  $w \notin I'S$ . In order to complete the proof, we will show that  $w \in I^{(r)}$ . Let  $v_q = \prod_{t=0}^s \prod_{j=i_{q-1}+1}^{i_q} x_j^{\lambda_{tj} d_t}$  and let  $w_q = \prod_{e=1}^q v_e$ . Obvious,  $w = v_1 \cdots v_r = w_r$ . Since  $w \notin I'$  it follows that  $w_q \notin I^{(q)}$  for any  $1 \leq q \leq r-1$ . But  $w_q \notin I^{(q)}$  implies  $(*) \sum_{t=0}^s \sum_{j=1}^{i_q} \lambda_{tj} d_t < \alpha_q$ , otherwise  $w_q \in \langle x_{i_q}^{\alpha_q} S_q \rangle_{\mathbf{d}}$   $S_{r-1} \subset I'$  and thus  $w \in I'$ , a contradiction. We choose  $\gamma_e = \sum_{t=0}^s \sum_{j=i_{e-1}+1}^{i_e} \lambda_{tj} d_t$  for  $1 \leq e \leq r$ . For  $1 \leq q < r$ ,  $(*)$  implies  $\gamma_1 + \cdots + \gamma_q < \alpha_q$ . On the other hand, it is obvious that  $\gamma_1 + \cdots + \gamma_e \leq_d \alpha_r$  for any  $1 \leq e \leq r$  and  $\gamma_1 + \cdots + \gamma_r = \alpha_r$ . Thus  $w \in I^{(r)}$  as required.  $\square$

**Example 1.7.3.** Let  $\mathbf{d} : 1|2|4|12$  and let  $I = \langle x_2^7, x_3^{10}, x_5^{17} \rangle \subset K[x_1, \dots, x_5]$ . We have  $7 = 1 \cdot 1 + 1 \cdot 2 + 1 \cdot 4$ ,  $10 = 1 \cdot 2 + 2 \cdot 4$ ,  $17 = 1 \cdot 1 + 1 \cdot 4 + 1 \cdot 12$ . We have

$$I^{(1)} = \langle x_2^7 \rangle_{\mathbf{d}} = (x_1, x_2)(x_1^2, x_2^2)(x_1^4, x_2^4).$$

In order to compute  $I^{(2)}$ , we need to find all the pairs  $(\gamma_1, \gamma_2)$  such that  $\gamma_1 < 7$ ,  $\gamma_1 <_{\mathbf{d}} 10$  and  $\gamma_2 = 10 - \gamma_1$ . We have 4 pairs, namely  $(0, 10)$ ,  $(2, 8)$ ,  $(4, 6)$  and  $(6, 4)$ , thus

$$I^{(2)} = (x_1^2, x_2^2)(x_1^4, x_2^4)x_3^4 + (x_1^4, x_2^4)x_3^6 + (x_1^2, x_2^2)x_3^8 + (x_3^{10}).$$

In order to compute  $I^{(3)}$ , we need to find all  $(\gamma_1, \gamma_2, \gamma_3)$  such that  $\gamma_1 < 7$ ,  $\gamma_1 + \gamma_2 < 10$ ,  $\gamma_1 <_{\mathbf{d}} 17$ ,  $\gamma_1 + \gamma_2 <_{\mathbf{d}} 17$  and  $\gamma_3 = 17 - \gamma_1 + \gamma_2$ . If  $\gamma_1 = 0$  then, the pair  $(\gamma_2, \gamma_3)$  is one of the following:  $(0, 17)$ ,  $(1, 16)$ ,  $(4, 13)$  or  $(5, 12)$ . If  $\gamma_1 = 1$  then, the pair  $(\gamma_2, \gamma_3)$  is one of the following:  $(0, 16)$  or  $(4, 12)$ . If  $\gamma_1 = 4$  then, the pair  $(\gamma_2, \gamma_3)$  is one of the following:  $(0, 13)$  or  $(1, 12)$ . If  $\gamma_1 = 5$  then, the pair  $(\gamma_2, \gamma_3)$  is  $(0, 12)$ . Thus

$$\begin{aligned} I^{(3)} = & (x_1, x_2)(x_1^4, x_2^4)(x_4^{12}, x_5^{12}) + (x_1^4, x_2^4)x_3(x_4^{12}, x_5^{12}) + (x_1^4, x_2^4)(x_4, x_5)(x_4^{12}, x_5^{12}) + \\ & + (x_1, x_2)x_3^4(x_4^{12}, x_5^{12}) + (x_1, x_2)(x_4^4, x_5^4)(x_4^{12}, x_5^{12}) + x_3(x_4^4, x_5^4)(x_4^{12}, x_5^{12}) + \\ & + x_3^4(x_4, x_5)(x_4^{12}, x_5^{12}) + x_3^5(x_4^{12}, x_5^{12}) + (x_4, x_5)(x_4^4, x_5^4)(x_4^{12}, x_5^{12}). \end{aligned}$$

From Proposition 1.7.2, we get  $I = I^{(1)} + I^{(2)} + I^{(3)}$ .

**Remark 1.7.4.** For any  $1 \leq q \leq r$  and any nonnegative integers  $\gamma_1, \dots, \gamma_q \leq_{\mathbf{d}} \alpha_q$  such that  $\gamma_1 + \cdots + \gamma_i < \alpha_i$ ,  $\gamma_1 + \cdots + \gamma_i <_{\mathbf{d}} \alpha_q$  for  $1 \leq i < q$  and  $\gamma_1 + \cdots + \gamma_q = \alpha_q$  we denote

$$I_{\gamma_1, \dots, \gamma_q}^{(q)} = \prod_{e=1}^q \prod_{t=0}^s (\mathbf{n}_e^{[d_t]})^{\gamma_{et}}. \text{ Proposition 1.7.2 implies : } I = \sum_{q=1}^r \sum_{\gamma_1, \dots, \gamma_q} I_{\gamma_1, \dots, \gamma_q}^{(q)}.$$

Let  $\mathbf{m} = (x_1, \dots, x_n) \subset S$  the irrelevant ideal of  $S$ . We have:

$$(I :_S \mathbf{m}) = \bigcap_{j=1}^n (I : x_j) = \bigcap_{j=1}^n \left( \left( \sum_{q=1}^r \sum_{\gamma_1, \dots, \gamma_q} I_{\gamma_1, \dots, \gamma_q}^{(q)} \right) : x_j \right) = \bigcap_{j=1}^n \left( \sum_{q=1}^r \sum_{\gamma_1, \dots, \gamma_q} (I_{\gamma_1, \dots, \gamma_q}^{(q)} : x_j) \right).$$



On the other hand, if  $x_j \in \mathbf{n}_p$  for some  $1 \leq p \leq q$  then

$$J_{\gamma_1, \dots, \gamma_q}^{(q), j} := (I_{\gamma_1, \dots, \gamma_q}^{(q)} : x_j) = \prod_{e \neq p}^q \prod_{t=0}^s (\mathbf{n}_e^{[d_t]})^{\gamma_{et}} \mathbf{n}_{\mathbf{p}, \mathbf{j}}^{[d_t]} (\mathbf{n}_p^{[d_t]})^{\gamma_{pt}-1} \left( \sum_{\gamma_{pt} > 0} \prod_{j \neq t} (\mathbf{n}_e^{[d_t]})^{\gamma_{jt}} \right),$$

where  $\mathbf{n}_{\mathbf{p}, \mathbf{j}}^{[d_t]} = (x_{i_{p-1}+1}^{d_t}, \dots, x_j^{d_t-1}, \dots, x_{i_p}^{d_t})$  and  $\mathbf{n}_{\mathbf{p}, \mathbf{j}}^{[d_t]} (\mathbf{n}_p^{[d_t]})^{\gamma_{pt}-1} := S$  if  $\gamma_{pt} = 0$ . Thus

$$(I :_S \mathbf{m}) = \left( \sum_{q^1=1}^r \sum_{\gamma_1^1, \dots, \gamma_q^1} \right) \cdots \left( \sum_{q^n=1}^r \sum_{\gamma_1^n, \dots, \gamma_q^n} \right) \bigcap_{j=1}^n J_{\gamma_1^j, \dots, \gamma_q^j}^{(q^j), j},$$

where for a given  $q^j$ , we have that  $\gamma_1^j, \dots, \gamma_q^j \leq_{\mathbf{d}} \alpha_q$  are some nonnegative integers such that  $\gamma_1^j + \dots + \gamma_i^j < \alpha_i$ ,  $\gamma_1^j + \dots + \gamma_i^j <_{\mathbf{d}} \alpha_q$  for  $1 \leq i < q^j$  and  $\gamma_1^j + \dots + \gamma_q^j = \alpha_q$ .

**Proposition 1.7.5.** *Let  $n \geq 2$  and let  $1 \leq i_1 < i_2 < \dots < i_r = n$  some integers. Let  $\alpha_1 < \alpha_2 < \dots < \alpha_r$  some positive integers. Let  $s_q = \max\{t \mid \alpha_{qt} > 0\}$  for any  $1 \leq q \leq r$ . We consider the ideal  $I = \sum_{q=1}^r I_q$ , where  $I_q = \langle x_{i_q}^{\alpha_q} \rangle_{\mathbf{d}}$ . Then, we have:  $\text{reg}(I) \leq \text{reg}(I_r)$ .*

*Proof.* Denote  $e = \max\{\text{reg}(I_1), \dots, \text{reg}(I_r)\}$ . Since a  $\mathbf{d}$ -fixed ideal is an ideal of Borel type, by Corollary 1.2.13 it follows that  $\text{reg}(I) \leq e$ . On the other hand, if we denote  $s_q = \max\{t \mid \alpha_{qt} > 0\}$  for any  $1 \leq q \leq r$ , from Theorem 1.6.1 we get  $\text{reg}(I_q) = \alpha_{qs_q} d_{s_q} + (i_q - 1)(d_{s_q} - 1)$ , thus  $\max\{\text{reg}(I_1), \dots, \text{reg}(I_r)\} = \text{reg}(I_r)$ . In conclusion,  $\text{reg}(I) \leq \text{reg}(I_r)$ .  $\square$

**Proposition 1.7.6.** *With the above notations, for any  $1 \leq q \leq r$  we have:*

$$(I_q : \mathbf{m}_q) + (I_1 + \dots + I_q) \subset ((I_1 + \dots + I_q) : \mathbf{m}_q) \subset ((I_1 + \dots + I_q) : \mathbf{n}_q) = (I_q : \mathbf{n}_q) + (I_1 + \dots + I_q).$$

*Proof.* Fix  $1 \leq q \leq r$ . The first two inclusions are obvious. In order to prove the last equality, it is enough to show that  $((I_1 + \dots + I_q) : x_j) \subset (I_q : x_j) + (I_1 + \dots + I_q)$  for any  $x_j \in \mathbf{n}_q$ . Indeed, suppose  $u \in ((I_1 + \dots + I_q) : x_j)$ , therefore  $x_j \cdot u \in I_1 + \dots + I_q$ . If  $x_j \cdot u \notin I_q$  it follows that  $x_j \cdot u \in I_e$  for some  $e < q$ . Thus  $u \in I_e$ , since  $x_j$  does not appear in a minimal generators of  $I_e$ .  $\square$



# Chapter 2

## Generic initial ideal for complete intersections.

### 2.1 Main results.

Let  $S = K[x_1, \dots, x_n]$  and let  $I = (f_1, \dots, f_n) \subset S$  be an ideal generated by a regular sequence of homogeneous polynomials. We say that a homogeneous polynomial  $f$  of degree  $d$  is *semiregular* for  $S/I$  if the maps  $(S/I)_t \xrightarrow{f} (S/I)_{t+d}$  are either injective, either surjective for all  $t \geq 0$ . We say that  $S/I$  has the *weak Lefschetz property* (WLP) if there exists a linear form  $\ell \in S$ , semiregular on  $S/I$ , in which case we say that  $\ell$  is a weak Lefschetz element for  $S/I$ . We say that  $S/I$  has the *strong Lefschetz property* (SLP) if there exists a linear form  $\ell \in S$  such that  $\ell^b$  is semiregular on  $S/I$  for all integer  $b \geq 1$ . In this case, we say that  $\ell$  is a strong Lefschetz element for  $S/I$ .

We say that a property (P) holds for a *generic* sequence of homogeneous polynomials  $f_1, f_2, \dots, f_n \in S = K[x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n]$  of given degrees  $d_1, d_2, \dots, d_n$  if there exists a nonempty open Zariski subset  $U \subset S_{d_1} \times S_{d_2} \times \dots \times S_{d_n}$  such that for every  $(f_1, f_2, \dots, f_n) \in U$  the property (P) holds.

**Conjecture.**(Moreno) If  $f_1, f_2, \dots, f_n \in S = K[x_1, \dots, x_n]$  is a generic sequence of homogeneous polynomials of given degrees  $d_1, d_2, \dots, d_n$ ,  $I = (f_1, \dots, f_n)$  and  $J$  is the initial ideal of  $I$  with respect to the revlex order, then  $J$  is an almost revlex ideal, i.e. if  $u \in J$  is a minimal generator of  $J$  then every monomial of the same degree which precedes  $u$  must be in  $J$  as well.

**Theorem 2.1.1.** *If  $f_1, f_2, f_3 \in S = K[x_1, x_2, x_3]$  is a regular sequence of homogeneous polynomials of given degrees  $d_1, d_2, d_3$  and  $I = (f_1, f_2, f_3)$  such that  $S/I$  has the (SLP) then  $J = \text{Gin}(I)$  is uniquely determined and is an almost reverse lexicographic ideal.*

*Proof.* The theorem is a direct consequence of the Propositions 2.2.3, 2.2.8, 2.3.3, 2.3.8, 2.3.13 and 2.3.17.  $\square$

**Theorem 2.1.2.** *The conjecture Moreno is true for  $n = 3$  (and  $\text{char}(K) = 0$ ).*

*Proof.* Notice that (SLP) is an open condition. Also, the condition that a sequence of homogeneous polynomial is regular is an open condition. It follows, using Theorem 2.1.1, that for a generic sequence  $f_1, f_2, f_3$  of homogeneous polynomials of given degrees  $d_1, d_2, d_3$ ,  $J = \text{Gin}(I)$  is almost revlex, where  $I = (f_1, f_2, f_3)$ . But the definition of the generic initial ideal implies to choose a generic change of variables, and therefore for a generic sequence  $f_1, f_2, f_3$  of homogeneous polynomials of given degrees  $\text{in}(I)$  is almost revlex, as required.  $\square$

From now on, we fix some integers  $2 \leq d_1 \leq d_2 \leq d_3$ . Let  $f_1, f_2, f_3 \in S = K[x_1, x_2, x_3]$  be a regular sequence of homogeneous polynomials of given degrees  $d_1, d_2, d_3$  and  $I = (f_1, f_2, f_3)$  such that  $S/I$  has the (SLP) and let  $J = \text{Gin}(I)$  be the generic initial ideal of  $I$ , with respect to revers lexicographic order. We will use these conventions in the sections 2 and 3 of this chapter.

**Remark 2.1.3.** *In order to compute  $J$  we will use the fact that  $J$  is a strongly stable ideal, i.e. for any monomial  $u \in J$  and any indices  $j < i$ , if  $x_i | u$  then  $x_j u / x_i \in J$ . Also, a theorem of Wiebe (see [34]) states that  $S/I$  has (SLP) if and only if  $x_3$  is a strong Lefschetz element for  $S/J$ . We need to consider several cases: I.  $d_1 + d_2 \leq d_3 + 1$  with 2 subcases  $d_1 = d_2 < d_3$ ,  $d_1 < d_2 < d_3$  (section 2) and II.  $d_1 + d_2 > d_3 + 1$  with 4 subcases:  $d_1 = d_2 = d_3$ ,  $d_1 = d_2 < d_3$ ,  $d_1 < d_2 = d_3$ ,  $d_1 < d_2 < d_3$  (section 3).*

The construction of  $J$  in all cases, follows the next procedure. For any nonnegative integer  $k$ , we denote by  $J_k$  the set of monomials of degree  $k$  in  $J$ . We can easily compute the cardinality of each  $J_k$  from the Hilbert series of  $S/J$ . We denote  $\text{Shad}(J_k) = \{x_i u : 1 \leq i \leq n, u \in J_k\}$ . We begin with  $J_0 = \emptyset$  and we pass from  $J_k$  to  $J_{k+1}$  noticing that  $J_{k+1} = \text{Shad}(J_k) \cup$  eventually some new monomial(s) (exactly  $|J_{k+1}| - |\text{Shad}(J_k)|$  new monomials). The fact that  $J$  is strongly stable and that  $x_3$  is a strong Lefschetz element for  $S/J$  tell us what we need to add to  $\text{Shad}(J_k)$  in order to obtain  $J_{k+1}$ . We continue this procedure until  $k = d_1 + d_2 + d_3 - 2$  since  $J_k = S_k$  (=the set of all monomials of degree  $k$ ) for any  $k \geq d_1 + d_2 + d_3 - 2$  and so we cannot add any new monomials in larger degrees.  $J$  is the ideal generated by all monomials added to  $\text{Shad}(J_k)$  at some step  $k$ . We will present detailed this construction only in the subcase  $d_1 = d_2 < d_3$  of the case I.  $d_1 + d_2 \leq d_3 + 1$  (Proposition 2.2.3), the other cases being presented in sketch, but the reader can easily complete the proofs. The condition that  $S/I$  has (SLP) is needed. Indeed, there are monomial ideals  $J$  such that  $S/J$  and  $S/I$  have the same Hilbert series,  $J$  is strongly stable and  $x_3$  is a weak Lefschetz element for  $S/J$ , but is not strong Lefschetz. For example,

$$J = (x_1\{x_1, x_2\}^2, x_2^4, x_1^2 x_3^2, x_2^3 x_3^2, x_1 x_2 x_3^3, x_1 x_3^4, x_2^2 x_3^4, x_2 x_3^5, x_3^7)$$

has  $H(S/J, t) = (1 + t + t^2)^3$ , i.e. the Hilbert series of a complete intersection  $S/(f_1, f_2, f_3)$ , with  $f_1, f_2, f_3$  homogeneous of degree 3. Also,  $J$  is strongly stable and  $x_3$  is a weak Lefschetz element for  $S/J$ , but not strong Lefschetz, since the map  $(S/J)_2 \xrightarrow{x_3^2} (S/J)_4$  is not injective and  $|(S/J)_2| = |(S/J)_4| = 6$ .

**2.2 Case  $d_1 + d_2 \leq d_3 + 1$ .**

- Subcase  $d_1 = d_2 < d_3$ .

**Proposition 2.2.1.** Let  $2 \leq d := d_1 = d_2 < d_3$  be positive integers such that  $2d \leq d_3 + 1$ . The Hilbert function of the standard graded complete intersection  $A = K[x_1, x_2, x_3]/I$ , where  $I$  is the ideal generated by  $f_1, f_2, f_3$ , with  $f_i$  homogeneous polynomials of degree  $d_i$ , for all  $i$ , with  $1 \leq i \leq 3$ , has the form:

1.  $H(A, k) = \binom{k+2}{k}$ , for  $k \leq d - 1$ .
2.  $H(A, k) = \binom{d+1}{2} + \sum_{i=1}^j (d - i)$ , for  $k = d - 1 + j$ , where  $0 \leq j \leq d - 1$ .
3.  $H(A, k) = d^2$ , for  $2d - 2 \leq k \leq d_3 - 1$ .
4.  $H(A, k) = H(A, 2d + d_3 - 3 - k)$  for  $k \geq d_3$ .

*Proof.* It follows from [31, Lemma 2.9(a)].  $\square$

**Corollary 2.2.2.** In the conditions of Proposition 2.2.1, let  $J = \text{Gin}(I)$  be the generic initial ideal of  $I$  with respect to the reverse lexicographic order. If we denote by  $J_k$  the set of monomials of  $J$  of degree  $k$ , then:

1.  $J_k = \emptyset$ , for  $k \leq d - 1$ .
2.  $|J_k| = j(j + 1)$ , for  $k = d - 1 + j$ , where  $0 \leq j \leq d - 1$ .
3.  $|J_k| = d(d - 1) + 2dj + \frac{j(j-1)}{2}$ , for  $k = 2d - 2 + j$ , where  $0 \leq j \leq d_3 + 1 - 2d$ .
4.  $|J_k| = \frac{d_3(d_3+1)}{2} - d^2 + jd_3 + j(j + 1)$ , for  $k = d_3 - 1 + j$ , where  $0 \leq j \leq d - 1$ .
5.  $|J_k| = \frac{d_3(d_3-1)}{2} + d(d_3 - 1) + j(d_3 + 2d)$ , for  $k = d + d_3 - 2 + j$ , where  $0 \leq j \leq d$ .
6.  $J_k = S_k$ , for  $k \geq 2d + d_3 - 2$ , where  $S_k$  is the set of monomials of degree  $k$ .

*Proof.* Using that  $|J_k| = |S_k| - H(S/J, k)$ , together with the general fact that  $H(S/J, k) = H(S/I, k)$ , the proof follows immediately from Proposition 2.2.1.  $\square$

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**Proposition 2.2.3.** Let  $2 \leq d := d_1 = d_2 < d_3$  be positive integers such that  $2d \leq d_3 + 1$ . Let  $f_1, f_2, f_3 \in K[x_1, x_2, x_3]$  be a regular sequence of homogeneous polynomials of degrees  $d_1, d_2, d_3$ . If  $I = (f_1, f_2, f_3)$ , and  $J = \text{Gin}(I)$ , the generic initial ideal with respect to the reverse lexicographic order, and  $S/I$  has (SLP), then:

$$J = (x_1^d, x_1^{d-j-1}x_2^{2j+1} \text{ for } 0 \leq j \leq d-1, x_2^{2d-2j-2}x_3^{d_3-2d+2j+2}\{x_1, x_2\}^j \text{ for } 0 \leq j \leq d-2, \\ x_3^{d_3+2j-2}\{x_1, x_2\}^{d-j} \text{ for } 1 \leq j \leq d).$$

*Proof.* We have  $|J_d| = 2$ , hence  $J_d = \{x_1^{d-1}\{x_1, x_2\}\}$ , since  $J$  is a strongly stable ideal. Therefore:

$$\text{Shad}(J_d) = \{x_1^{d-1}\{x_1, x_2\}^2, x_1^{d-1}x_3\{x_1, x_2\}\},$$

Now we have two possibilities to analyze:  $d = 2$  and  $d \geq 3$ . First, suppose  $d \geq 3$ .

Using the formulas from Corollary 2.2.2 we have  $|J_{d+1}| - |\text{Shad}(J_d)| = 1$ , so there is only one generator to add to the set  $\text{Shad}(J_d)$  in order to obtain  $J_{d+1}$ . Since  $J$  is strongly stable, we have only two possibilities:  $x_1^{d-2}x_3^2$  or  $x_1^{d-1}x_3^2$ . We cannot have  $x_1^{d-1}x_3^2$ , since otherwise the application

$$(S/J)_{d-1} \xrightarrow{\cdot x_3^2} (S/J)_{d+1},$$

with  $|(S/J)_{d-1}| < |(S/J)_{d+1}|$  (see Proposition 2.2.1) would not be injective ( $0 \neq x_1^{d-1} \in (S/J)_{d-1}$  and is mapped to 0), which is a contradiction to the fact that  $x_3$  is a strong Lefschetz element for  $S/J$ . Hence:

$$J_{d+1} = \{x_1^{d-2}\{x_1, x_2\}^3, x_1^{d-1}x_3\{x_1, x_2\}\}.$$

We prove by induction on  $j$ , with  $1 \leq j \leq d-2$ , that:

$$\begin{aligned} J_{d+j} &= \text{Shad}(J_{d+j-1}) \cup \{x_1^{d-j-1}x_2^{2j+1}\} = \\ &= \{x_1^{d-j-1}\{x_1, x_2\}^{2j+1}, x_1^{d-j}x_3\{x_1, x_2\}^{2j-1}, \dots, x_1^{d-1}x_3^j\{x_1, x_2\}\}. \end{aligned}$$

The assertion was checked above for  $j = 1$ . Assume now that the statement is true for some  $j < d-2$ . Then  $\text{Shad}(J_{d+j})$  is the following set:

$$\{x_1^{d-j-1}\{x_1, x_2\}^{2j+2}, x_1^{d-j-1}x_3\{x_1, x_2\}^{2j+1}, x_1^{d-j}x_3^2\{x_1, x_2\}^{2j-1}, \dots, x_1^{d-1}x_3^{j+1}\{x_1, x_2\}\}.$$

We have  $|J_{d+j+1}| - |\text{Shad}(J_{d+j})| = 1$ , so we must add only one generator to  $\text{Shad}(J_{d+j})$  to get  $J_{d+j+1}$ . The ideal  $J$ , being strongly stable, allows only two possibilities, namely  $x_1^{d-j-2}x_2^{2j+3}$  or  $x_1^{d-2}x_2^2x_3^{j+1}$ . The second one is not allowed because the application

$$(S/J)_d \xrightarrow{\cdot x_3^{j+1}} (S/J)_{d+j+1}$$

would not be injective ( $0 \neq x_1^{d-2}x_2^2 \in (S/J)_d$  and is mapped to 0),  $x_3$  being a strong-Lefschetz element for  $S/J$ . Therefore, we must add  $x_1^{d-j-2}x_2^{2j+3}$  and our claim is proved. In particular, we obtain

$$J_{2d-2} = \{x_1\{x_1, x_2\}^{2d-3}, x_1^2x_3\{x_1, x_2\}^{2d-5}, \dots, x_1^{d-1}x_3^{d-2}\{x_1, x_2\}\}.$$

In order to compute  $J_k$ , with  $2d-2 \leq k \leq d_3$ , we must consider two possibilities.

- 1.  $d_3 = 2d-1$ .

Since  $|J_{2d-1}| - |Shad(J_{2d-2})| = 2$ , there are two generators to add to  $Shad(J_{2d-2})$ . We prove that these generators are  $x_2^{2d-1}, x_2^{2d-2}x_3$ . Assuming by contradiction that we have other generators, since  $J$  is strongly stable, it follows that there is at least one generator from the set  $\{x_1x_2^{2d-4}x_3^2, x_1^2x_2^{2d-6}x_3^3, \dots, x_1^{d-2}x_2^2x_3^{d-1}\}$ . Then, the application  $(S/J)_{2d-3} \xrightarrow{\cdot x_3^2} (S/J)_{2d-1}$  would not be injective, a contradiction since  $x_3$  is a strong Lefschetz element for  $S/J$ . Therefore

$$J_{2d-1} = J_{d_3} = \{\{x_1, x_2\}^{2d-1}, x_3\{x_1, x_2\}^{2d-2}, \dots, x_1^{d-1}x_3^{d-1}\{x_1, x_2\}\}.$$

- 2.  $d_3 > 2d - 1$ .

Since  $|J_{2d-1}| - |Shad(J_{2d-2})| = 1$ , there is only one generator to add to  $Shad(J_{2d-2})$ , which can be selected from the set  $\{x_2^{2d-1}, x_1x_2^{2d-4}x_3^2, x_1^2x_2^{2d-6}x_3^3, \dots, x_1^{d-2}x_2^2x_3^{d-1}\}$  because  $J$  is strongly stable. In a similar manner to what we have done above can be shown that,  $x_3$  being a strong Lefschetz element, leaves us as unique possibility  $x_2^{2d-1}$ , therefore:

$$J_{2d-1} = \{\{x_1, x_2\}^{2d-1}, x_1x_3\{x_1, x_2\}^{2d-3}, \dots, x_1^{d-1}x_3^{d-1}\{x_1, x_2\}\}.$$

One can easily show, using induction on  $1 \leq j \leq d_3 - 2d$ , if case, that  $|J_{2d-1+j}| = |Shad(J_{2d-2+j})|$  and  $J_{2d-1+j}$  is the set

$$\{\{x_1, x_2\}^{2d-1+j}, \dots, x_3^j\{x_1, x_2\}^{2d-1}, x_3^{j+1}x_1\{x_1, x_2\}^{2d-2}, \dots, x_3^{d+j-1}x_1^{d-1}\{x_1, x_2\}\}.$$

In particular, we obtain that  $J_{d_3-1}$  is the set

$$\{\{x_1, x_2\}^{d_3-1}, \dots, x_3^{d_3-2d}\{x_1, x_2\}^{2d-1}, x_3^{d_3-2d+1}x_1\{x_1, x_2\}^{2d-3}, \dots, x_3^{d_3-d-1}x_1^{d-1}\{x_1, x_2\}\}.$$

Since  $|J_{d_3}| - |Shad(J_{d_3-1})| = 1$ , the generator which has to be add to  $Shad(J_{d_3-1})$  can be selected from the set  $\{x_2^{2d-2}x_3^{d_3-2d+2}, x_1x_2^{2d-4}x_3^{d_3-2d+3}, \dots, x_1^{d-2}x_2^2x_3^{d_3-d}\}$  such that  $J$  is strongly stable. The generator is  $x_2^{2d-2}x_3^{d_3-2d+2}$ , otherwise the application  $(S/J)_{2d-3} \xrightarrow{\cdot x_3^{d_3-2d+3}} (S/J)_{d_3}$  is not injective, a contradiction, since  $x_3$  is a strong Lefschetz element for  $S/J$ . Hence, we get that  $J_{d_3}$  is

$$\{\{x_1, x_2\}^{d_3}, \dots, x_3^{d_3-2d+2}\{x_1, x_2\}^{2d-2}, x_1^2x_3^{d_3-2d+3}\{x_1, x_2\}^{2d-5}, \dots, x_3^{d_3-d}x_1^{d-1}\{x_1, x_2\}\},$$

and one can check that is the same formula as in 1. ( $d_3 = 2d - 1$ ).

Now, we show by induction on  $1 \leq j \leq d - 2$  that

$$J_{d_3+j} = Shad(J_{d_3+1+j}) \cup \{x_2^{2d-2j-2}x_3^{d_3-2d+2j+2}\{x_1, x_2\}^j\}.$$

Indeed, for  $j = 1$ ,  $|J_{d_3+1}| - |Shad(J_{d_3})| = 2$  and the generators which must be added are  $x_1x_2^{2d-4}x_3^{d_3-2d+4}, x_2^{2d-3}x_3^{d_3-2d+4}$ . If not, since  $J$  is strongly stable, then at least one of the generators belongs to the set  $\{x_1^2x_2^{2d-6}x_3^{d_3-2d+5}, \dots, x_1^{d-2}x_2^2x_3^{d_3-d+1}\}$  (for  $d = 3$  this is the emptyset). but then the map  $(S/J)_{2d-4} \xrightarrow{\cdot x_3^{d_3-2d+5}} (S/J)_{d_3+1}$  is not injective, contradiction.

Assume now that we proved the assertion for some  $j < d - 2$ . Then  $|J_{d_3+j+1}| - |Shad(J_{d_3+j})| = j + 2$  and the new generators are  $x_2^{2d-2j-4}x_3^{d_3-2d+2j+4}\{x_1, x_2\}^{j+1}$ . Indeed, if not, since  $J$  is strongly stable, then at least one of the generators belongs to the set  $\{x_1^{j+2}x_2^{2d-2j-6}x_3^{d_3-2d+2j+5}, \dots, x_1^{d-2}x_2^2x_3^{d_3-d+j+1}\}$  (for  $d = 3$  this is the emptyset...) but then the map  $(S/J)_{2d-j-4} \xrightarrow{x_3^{d_3-2d+2j+5}} (S/J)_{d_3+j+1}$  is not injective, contradiction, and we are done. Hence,

$$J_{d_3+d-2} = \{\{x_1, x_2\}^{d_3+d-2}, x_3\{x_1, x_2\}^{d+d_3-3}, \dots, x_3^{d_3-2}\{x_1, x_2\}^d\}.$$

We prove by induction on  $1 \leq j \leq d$  that  $J_{d+d_3-2+j} = Shad(J_{d+d_3-3+j}) \cup x_3^{d_3+2j-2}\{x_1, x_2\}^{d-j}$ . If  $j = 1$  then  $|J_{d+d_3-1}| - |Shad(J_{d+d_3-2})| = d$  so we must add  $d$  generators, which are precisely the elements of the set  $x_3^{d_3}\{x_1, x_2\}^{d-1}$ . Indeed, if we have a generator which does not belong to the set it is divisible by  $x_3^{d_3+1}$  and therefore the map  $(S/J)_{d-2} \xrightarrow{x_3^{d_3+1}} (S/J)_{d_3+d-1}$  is not injective, which is a contradiction with  $x_3$  is a strong Lefschetz element for  $S/J$  (the map has to be bijective). The induction step is similar and finally we obtain that  $J_{d_3+2d-2} = S_{d_3+2d-2}$  and thus we cannot add new minimal generators of  $J$  in degree  $> d_3 + 2d - 2$ .

In order to complete the proof we must consider now  $d = 2$ . The hypothesis implies  $d_3 \geq 3$ . We already seen that  $J_2 = \{x_1^2, x_1x_2\}$  and  $Shad(J_2) = \{x_1\{x_1, x_2\}^2, x_1x_3\{x_1, x_2\}\}$ .

Using the formulas from Corollary 2.2.2 we have  $|J_3| - |Shad(J_2)| = 1$ , so there is only one generator to add to the set  $Shad(J_2)$  in order to obtain  $J_{d+1}$ .

Since  $J$  is strongly stable, we have only two possibilities:  $x_2^3$  or  $x_1x_3^2$ . We can not have  $x_1x_3^2$ , since otherwise the application

$$(S/J)_1 \xrightarrow{x_3^2} (S/J)_3,$$

with  $|(S/J)_1| < |(S/J)_3|$  (see Proposition 2.2.1) would not be injective ( $0 \neq x_1 \in (S/J)_1$  and is mapped to 0), which is a contradiction to the fact that  $x_3$  is a strong Lefschetz element for  $S/J$ . Hence:

$$J_3 = \{\{x_1, x_2\}^3, x_1x_3\{x_1, x_2\}\}.$$

Assume now  $d_3 \geq 4$ . One can easily show, using induction on  $1 \leq j \leq d_3 - 4$ , if case, that  $|J_{3+j}| = |Shad(J_{2+j})|$  and  $J_{3+j}$  is the set

$$\{\{x_1, x_2\}^{3+j}, \dots, x_3^j\{x_1, x_2\}^3, x_3^{j+1}x_1\{x_1, x_2\}\}.$$

In particular, we obtain that

$$J_{d_3-1} = \{\{x_1, x_2\}^{d_3-1}, \dots, x_3^{d_3-4}\{x_1, x_2\}^3, x_3^{d_3-3}x_1\{x_1, x_2\}\}.$$

Since  $|J_{d_3}| - |Shad(J_{d_3-1})| = 1$ , the generator which has to be add to  $Shad(J_{d_3-1})$  is exactly  $x_2^2x_3^{d_3-2}$  such that  $J$  is strongly stable. Hence, we get

$$J_{d_3} = \{\{x_1, x_2\}^{d_3}, \dots, x_3^{d_3-3}\{x_1, x_2\}^3, x_1x_3^{d_3-2}\{x_1, x_2\}\},$$

and one can check that is the same formula as in the case  $d_3 = 3$ .



Since  $|J_{d_3+1}| - |\text{Shad}(J_{d_3})| = 1$ , there is only one generator to add to the set  $\text{Shad}(J_{d_3})$  in order to obtain  $J_{d_3+1}$ . Since  $J$  is strongly stable, we have only two possibilities:  $x_2^2 x_3^{d_3-1}$  or  $x_1 x_3^{d_3}$ . We can not have  $x_1 x_3^{d_3}$ , since otherwise the application

$$(S/J)_1 \xrightarrow{\cdot x_3^{d_3}} (S/J)_{d_3+1},$$

with  $|(S/J)_1| = |(S/J)_3|$  (see Proposition 2.2.1) would not be injective ( $0 \neq x_1 \in (S/J)_1$  and is mapped to 0), which is a contradiction to the fact that  $x_3$  is a strong Lefschetz element for  $S/J$ . Hence:

$$J_{d_3+1} = \{\{x_1, x_2\}^{d_3+1}, \dots, x_3^{d_3-1} \{x_1, x_2\}^2\}.$$

Since  $|J_{d_3+2}| - |\text{Shad}(J_{d_3+1})| = 2$  and  $J$  is strongly stable, we must add  $x_1 x_3^{d_3+1}$  and  $x_2 x_3^{d_3+1}$  at  $\text{Shad}(J_{d_3+1})$  in order to obtain  $J_{d_3+2}$ . Hence  $J_{d_3+2} = S_{d_3+2} \setminus \{x_3^{d_3+2}\}$ . Finally, since  $J_{d_3+3} = S_{d_3+3}$  we add  $x_3^{d_3+3}$  at  $\text{Shad}(J_{d_3+2})$  and thus we cannot add new minimal generators of  $J$  in degree  $> d_3 + 2$ .  $\square$

**Corollary 2.2.4.** *In the conditions of the above proposition, the number of minimal generators of  $J$  is  $d^2 + d + 1$ .*

**Example 2.2.5.** *Let  $d_1 = d_2 = 3$  and  $d_3 = 9$ . Proposition 2.2.3 implies:*

$$J = (x_1^3, x_1^2 x_2, x_1 x_2^3, x_2^5, x_2^4 x_3^5, x_1 x_2^2 x_3^7, x_2^3 x_3^7, x_3^9 \{x_1, x_2\}^2, x_3^{11} \{x_1, x_2\}, x_3^{13}).$$

- Subcase  $d_1 < d_2 < d_3$ .

**Proposition 2.2.6.** Let  $2 \leq d_1 < d_2 < d_3$  be positive integers such that  $d_1 + d_2 \leq d_3 + 1$ . The Hilbert function of the standard graded complete intersection  $A = K[x_1, x_2, x_3]/I$ , where  $I$  is the ideal generated by  $f_1, f_2, f_3$ , with  $f_i$  homogeneous polynomials of degree  $d_i$ , for all  $i$ , with  $1 \leq i \leq 3$ , has the form:

1.  $H(A, k) = \binom{k+2}{k}$ , for  $k \leq d_1 - 1$ .
2.  $H(A, k) = \binom{d_1+1}{2} + j d_1$ , for  $k = j + d_1 - 1$ , where  $0 \leq j \leq d_2 - d_1$ .
3.  $H(A, k) = \binom{d_1+1}{2} + d_1(d_2 - d_1) + \sum_{i=1}^j (d_1 - i)$ , for  $k = j + d_2 - 1$ , where  $0 \leq j \leq d_1 - 1$ .
4.  $H(A, k) = d_1 d_2$ , for  $d_1 + d_2 - 2 \leq k \leq d_3 - 1$ .
5.  $H(A, k) = H(A, d_1 + d_2 + d_3 - 3 - k)$  for  $k \geq d_3$ .

*Proof.* It follows from [31, Lemma 2.9(a)].  $\square$

**Corollary 2.2.7.** In the conditions of Proposition 2.2.6, let  $J = \text{Gin}(I)$  be the generic initial ideal of  $I$  with respect to the reverse lexicographic order. If we denote by  $J_k$  the set of monomials of  $J$  of degree  $k$ , then:

1.  $|J_k| = 0$ , for  $k \leq d - 1$ .
2.  $|J_k| = j(j+1)/2$ , for  $k = j + d_1 - 1$ , where  $0 \leq j \leq d_2 - d_1$ .
3.  $|J_k| = \frac{(d_2 - d_1)((d_2 - d_1 - 1))}{2} + j(d_2 - d_1) + j(j+1)$ , for  $k = j + d_2 - 1$ , where  $0 \leq j \leq d_1 - 1$ .
4.  $|J_k| = \frac{d_1^2 + d_2^2 - d_1 - d_2}{2} + j(d_1 + d_2) + \frac{j(j-1)}{2}$ , for  $k = j + d_1 + d_2 - 2$ , where  $0 \leq j \leq d_3 - d_1 - d_2 + 1$ .
5.  $|J_k| = \frac{d_3^2 + d_3 - 2d_1d_2}{2} + jd_3 + j(j+1)$ , for  $k = j + d_3 - 1$  where  $0 \leq j \leq d_1 - 1$ .
6.  $|J_k| = \frac{(d_1 + d_3)(d_1 + d_3 - 1) + d_1^2 - d_1 - 2d_1d_2}{2} + j(d_3 + 2d_1) + \frac{j(j-1)}{2}$ , for  $k = j + d_1 + d_3 - 2$ , where  $0 \leq j \leq d_2 - d_1$ .
7.  $|J_k| = \frac{(d_2 + d_3)(d_2 + d_3 - 1) + d_1(d_1 - 1)}{2} + j(d_1 + d_2 + d_3)$ , for  $k = d_2 + d_3 - 2$ , where  $0 \leq j \leq d_1 - 1$ .
8.  $J_k = S_k$ , for  $k \geq 3d - 2$ .

**Proposition 2.2.8.** Let  $2 \leq d_1 < d_2 < d_3$  be positive integers such that  $d_1 + d_2 \leq d_3 + 1$ . Let  $f_1, f_2, f_3 \in K[x_1, x_2, x_3]$  be a regular sequence of homogeneous polynomials of degrees  $d_1, d_2, d_3$ . If  $I = (f_1, f_2, f_3)$ ,  $J = \text{Gin}(I)$ , the generic initial ideal with respect to the reverse lexicographic order, and  $S/I$  has (SLP), then:

$$\begin{aligned}
 J = & (x_1^{d_1}, x_1^{d_1-j} x_2^{d_2-d_1+2j-1} \text{ for } 1 \leq j \leq d_1 - 1, x_2^{d_1+d_2-1}, x_2^{d_1+d_2-2} x_3^{d_3-d_1-d_2+2}, \\
 & x_3^{d_3-d_1-d_2+2j+2} x_2^{d_1+d_2-2j-2} \{x_1, x_2\}^j \text{ for } 1 \leq j \leq d_1 - 2, \\
 & x_3^{d_3+d_1-d_2-2+2j} x_2^{d_2-d_1+1-j} \{x_1, x_2\}^{d_1-1} \text{ for } 1 \leq j \leq d_2 - d_1, \\
 & x_3^{d_3+d_2-d_1+2j-2} \{x_1, x_2\}^{d_1-j} \text{ for } 1 \leq j \leq d_1).
 \end{aligned}$$

*Proof.* We have  $|J_{d_1}| = 1$ , hence  $J_{d_1} = \{x_1^{d_1}\}$ , since  $J$  is a strongly stable ideal. Therefore:

$$\text{Shad}(J_{d_1}) = \{x_1^{d_1} \{x_1, x_2\}, x_1^{d_1} x_3\}.$$

Assume  $d_2 > d_1 + 1$ . Since  $|J_{d_1+1}| = |\text{Shad}(J_{d_1})|$  from the formulas of 2.2.7, it follows  $J_{d_1+1} = \text{Shad}(J_{d_1})$ . We prove by induction on  $1 \leq j \leq d_2 - d_1 - 1$  that

$$J_{d_1+j} = \text{Shad}(J_{d_1+j-1}) = \{x_1^{d_1} \{x_1, x_2\}^j, x_3 x_1^{d_1} \{x_1, x_2\}^{j-1}, \dots, x_3^j x_1^{d_1}\}.$$

Indeed, the case  $j = 1$  is already proved. Suppose the assertion is true for some  $j < d_2 - d_1 - 1$ . Since  $|J_{d_1+j+1}| - |\text{Shad}(J_{d_1+j})| = 0$  it follows that

$$J_{d_1+j+1} = \text{Shad}(J_{d_1+j}) = \{x_1^{d_1} \{x_1, x_2\}^{j+1}, x_3 x_1^{d_1} \{x_1, x_2\}^j, \dots, x_3^{j+1} x_1^{d_1}\}$$

thus we are done. In particular, we get

$$J_{d_2-1} = \{x_1^{d_1}\{x_1, x_2\}^{d_2-d_1-1}, x_3x_1^{d_1}\{x_1, x_2\}^{d_2-d_1-2}, \dots, x_3^{d_2-d_1-1}x_1^{d_1}\}$$

which is the same formula as in the case  $d_2 = d_1 + 1$ .

We have  $|J_{d_2}| - |Shad(J_{d_2-1})| = 1$  so we must add a new generator to  $Shad(J_{d_2-1})$  to obtain  $J_{d_2}$ . Since  $J$  is strongly stable and  $x_3$  is a strong Lefschetz element for  $S/J$  this new generator is  $x_1^{d_1-1}x_2^{d_2-d_1+1}$ , therefore

$$J_{d_2} = \{x_1^{d_1-1}\{x_1, x_2\}^{d_2-d_1+1}, x_3x_1^{d_1}\{x_1, x_2\}^{d_2-d_1-1}, \dots, x_3^{d_2-d_1}x_1^{d_1}\}.$$

Assume  $d_1 > 2$ . We prove by induction on  $1 \leq j \leq d_1 - 1$  that

$$\begin{aligned} J_{d_2-1+j} &= Shad(J_{d_2-2+j}) \cup \{x_1^{d_1-j}x_2^{d_2-d_1+2j-1}\} = \{x_1^{d_1-j}\{x_1, x_2\}^{d_2-d_1+2j-1}, \\ &x_3x_1^{d_1-j+1}\{x_1, x_2\}^{d_2-d_1+2j-3}, \dots, x_3^jx_1^{d_1}\{x_1, x_2\}^{d_2-d_1-1}, \dots, x_3^{d_2-d_1+j-1}x_1^{d_1}\}. \end{aligned}$$

The assertion was proved for  $j = 1$ . Suppose  $1 \leq j < d_1 - 1$  and the assertion is true for  $j$ . We have  $|J_{d_2+j}| - |Shad(J_{d_2-1+j})| = 1$ , thus we must add a new generator to  $Shad(J_{d_2-1+j})$  in order to obtain  $J_{d_2+j}$  and since  $J$  is strongly stable and  $x_3$  is a strong Lefschetz element for  $S/J$ , this is  $x_1^{d_1-j-1}x_2^{d_2-d_1+2j+1}$  and we are done. In particular, we obtain:

$$\begin{aligned} J_{d_1+d_2-2} &= \{x_1\{x_1, x_2\}^{d_1+d_2-3}, x_3x_1^2\{x_1, x_2\}^{d_1+d_2-5}, \dots, \\ &x_3^{d_1-1}x_1^{d_1}\{x_1, x_2\}^{d_2-d_1-1}, x_3^d x_1^{d_1}\{x_1, x_2\}^{d_2-d_1-2}, \dots, x_3^{d_2-2}x_1^{d_1}\} \end{aligned}$$

and one can check that is the same expression as in the case  $d_1 = 2$ .

In order to compute  $J_k$ , with  $2d - 2 \leq k \leq d_3$ , we must consider two possibilities.

- 1.  $d_3 = d_1 + d_2 - 1$ .

Since  $|J_{d_1+d_2-1}| - |Shad(J_{d_1+d_2-2})| = 2$ , there are two generators to add to  $Shad(J_{d_1+d_2-2})$  to get  $J_{d_1+d_2-1}$ , but on the other hand  $J$  is strongly stable and  $x_3$  is a strong Lefschetz element for  $S/J$  so these generators must be  $x_2^{d_1+d_2-1}, x_2^{d_1+d_2-2}x_3$ . Therefore:

$$J_{d_1+d_2-1} = J_{d_3} = \{\{x_1, x_2\}^{d_1+d_2-1}, x_3\{x_1, x_2\}^{d_1+d_2-2}, \dots, x_1^{d_1}x_3^{d_2-1}\}.$$

- 2.  $d_3 > d_1 + d_2 - 1$ .

Since  $|J_{d_1+d_2-1}| - |Shad(J_{d_1+d_2-2})| = 1$ , there is only one generator to add to  $Shad(J_{d_1+d_2-2})$ , which is precisely  $x_2^{d_1+d_2-1}$  since  $J$  is strongly stable and  $x_3$  is a strong Lefschetz element for  $S/J$ . Therefore

$$J_{d_1+d_2-1} = \{\{x_1, x_2\}^{d_1+d_2-1}, x_1x_3\{x_1, x_2\}^{d_1+d_2-3}, \dots, x_1^{d_1}x_3^{d_2-1}\}.$$

One can easily show, using induction on  $1 \leq j \leq d_3 - d_1 - d_2$ , if case, that  $|J_{d_1+d_2-1+j}| = |Shad(J_{d_1+d_2-2+j})|$  and  $J_{d_1+d_2-1+j}$  is the set

$$\{\{x_1, x_2\}^{j+d_1+d_2-1}, x_3\{x_1, x_2\}^{j+d_1+d_2-2}, \dots, x_3^j\{x_1, x_2\}^{d_1+d_2-1},$$

$$x_3^{j+1}x_1\{x_1, x_2\}^{d_1+d_2-3}, \dots, x_3^{d_1+j}x_1^{d_1}\{x_1, x_2\}^{d_2-d_1-1}, \dots, x_3^{j+d_2-1}x_1^{d_1}\}$$

$$\text{So } J_{d_3-1} = \{\{x_1, x_2\}^{d_3-1}, x_3\{x_1, x_2\}^{d_3-2}, \dots, x_3^{d_3-d_1-d_2}\{x_1, x_2\}^{d_1+d_2-1}, \\ x_3^{d_3-d_1-d_2+1}x_1\{x_1, x_2\}^{d_1+d_2-3}, \dots, x_3^{d_3-d_2}x_1^{d_1}\{x_1, x_2\}^{d_2-d_1-1}, \dots, x_3^{d_3-d_1-1}x_1^{d_1}\}$$

Since  $|J_{d_3}| - |\text{Shad}(J_{d_3-1})| = 1$ ,  $J$  is strongly stable and  $x_3$  is a strong Lefschetz element for  $S/J$ , the generator which has to be added to  $\text{Shad}(J_{d_3-1})$  is  $x_2^{d_1+d_2-2}x_3^{d_3-d_1-d_2+2}$ . Hence, we get

$$J_{d_3} = \{\{x_1, x_2\}^{d_3}, x_3\{x_1, x_2\}^{d_3-1}, \dots, x_3^{d_3-d_1-d_2+2}\{x_1, x_2\}^{d_1+d_2-2}, \\ x_3^{d_3-d_1-d_2+3}x_1^2\{x_1, x_2\}^{d_1+d_2-5}, \dots, x_3^{d_3-d_2+1}x_1^{d_1}\{x_1, x_2\}^{d_2-d_1-1}, \dots, x_3^{d_3-d_1}x_1^{d_1}\},$$

and one can check that is the same formula as in 1. ( $d_3 = d_1 + d_2 - 1$ ).

Assume now  $d_1 > 2$ . We show by induction on  $1 \leq j \leq d_1 - 2$  that

$$J_{d_3+j} = \text{Shad}(J_{d_3-1+j}) \cup \{x_1^j x_3^{d_3-d_1-d_2+2j+2} x_2^{d_1+d_2-2j-2}, \dots, x_3^{d_3-d_1-d_2+2j+2} x_2^{d_1+d_2-2-j}\}.$$

Indeed, for  $j = 1$ ,  $|J_{d_3+1}| - |\text{Shad}(J_{d_3})| = 2$  so we must add two generators to  $\text{Shad}(J_{d_3})$  in order to obtain  $J_{d_3+1}$ . Since  $J$  is strongly stable and  $x_3$  is a strong Lefschetz element for  $S/J$ , these new generators are  $x_1 x_3^{d_3-d_1-d_2+4} x_2^{d_1+d_2-2j-4}$  and  $x_3^{d_3-d_1-d_2+4} x_2^{d_1+d_2-2j-3}$ . Assume now that we proved the assertion for some  $j < d_1 - 2$ . Then  $|J_{d_3+j+1}| - |\text{Shad}(J_{d_3+j})| = j + 2$  and since  $J$  is strongly stable and  $x_3$  is a strong Lefschetz element for  $S/J$ , the new generators are  $x_3^{d_3-d_1-d_2+2j+4} x_2^{d_1+d_2-2j-4} \{x_1, x_2\}^{j+1}$  as required. Hence, we get

$$J_{d_1+d_3-2} = \{\{x_1, x_2\}^{d_1+d_3-2}, \dots, x_3^{d_3+d_1-d_2-2}\{x_1, x_2\}^{d_2}, \\ x_1^{d_1} x_3^{d_3+d_1-d_2-1}\{x_1, x_2\}^{d_2}, \dots, x_1^{d_1} x_3^{d_3-2}\},$$

and one can check that is the same formula as in the case  $d_1 = 2$ .

We have  $|J_{d_1+d_3-1}| - |\text{Shad}(J_{d_1+d_3-2})| = d_1$  so we must add  $d_1$  new generators to  $\text{Shad}(J_{d_1+d_3-2})$  and since  $J$  is strongly stable and  $x_3$  is a strong Lefschetz element for  $S/J$ , they are  $x_3^{d_3+d_1-d_2} x_2^{d_2-d_1} \{x_1, x_2\}^{d_1-1}$ . Therefore  $J_{d_1+d_3-1}$  is the set

$$\{\{x_1, x_2\}^{d_1+d_3-1}, \dots, x_3^{d_3+d_1-d_2} \{x_1, x_2\}^{d_2-1}, x_1^{d_1} x_3^{d_3+d_1-d_2+1} \{x_1, x_2\}^{d_2-d_1-2}, \dots, x_1^{d_1} x_3^{d_3-1}\}.$$

Suppose  $d_1 > 2$ . We prove by induction on  $1 \leq j \leq d_2 - d_1$  that:

$$J_{d_1+d_3-2+j} = \text{Shad}(J_{d_1+d_3-3+j}) \cup \{x_3^{d_3+d_1-d_2-2+2j} x_2^{d_2-d_1+1-j} \{x_1, x_2\}^{d_1-1}\} = \\ = \{\{x_1, x_2\}^{d_1+d_3-2+j}, \dots, x_3^{d_3+d_1-d_2-2+2j} \{x_1, x_2\}^{d_2-j}, \\ x_1^{d_1} x_3^{d_3+d_1-d_2-1+2j} \{x_1, x_2\}^{d_2-d_1-j-1}, \dots, x_1^{d_1} x_3^{d_3-2+j}\}.$$

We already proved this for  $j = 1$ . Suppose the assertion is true for some  $j < d_2 - d_1$ . Since  $|J_{d_1+d_3-1+j}| - |\text{Shad}(J_{d_1+d_3-2+j})| = d_1$  we must add  $d_1$  new generators to  $\text{Shad}(J_{d_1+d_3-2+j})$

and these new generators are  $x_3^{d_3+d_1-d_2-2+2j}x_2^{d_2-d_1+1-j}\{x_1, x_2\}^{d_1-1}$  because  $J$  is strongly stable and  $x_3$  is a strong Lefschetz element for  $S/J$ . In particular, we get:

$$J_{d_2+d_3-2} = \{\{x_1, x_2\}^{d_2+d_3-2}, x_3\{x_1, x_2\}^{d_2+d_3-3}, \dots, x_3^{d_3+d_2-d_1-2}\{x_1, x_2\}^{d_1}\},$$

which is the same formula as in the case  $d_1 = 2$ .

We prove by induction on  $1 \leq j \leq d_1$  that

$$J_{d_2+d_3-2+j} = \text{Shad}(J_{d_2+d_3-3+j}) \cup \{x_3^{d_3+d_2-d_1+2j-2}\{x_1, x_2\}^{d_1-j}\}.$$

If  $j = 1$  then  $|J_{d_2+d_3-1}| - |\text{Shad}(J_{d_2+d_3-2})| = d_1$  so we must add  $d_1$  generators, which are precisely the elements of the set  $x_3^{d_3}\{x_1, x_2\}^{d_1-1}$  since  $J$  is strongly stable and  $x_3$  is a strong Lefschetz element for  $S/J$ . The induction step is similar and finally we obtain that  $J_{d_3+2d-2} = S_{d_3+2d-2}$  and thus we cannot add new minimal generators of  $J$  in degrees  $> d_3 + 2d - 2$ .  $\square$

**Corollary 2.2.9.** *In the conditions of the above proposition, the number of minimal generators of  $J$  is  $1 + d_1 + d_1d_2$ .*

**Example 2.2.10.** *Let  $d_1 = 3$ ,  $d_2 = 4$  and  $d_3 = 9$ . Then*

$$J = (x_1^3, x_1^2x_2^2, x_1x_2^4, x_2^6, x_2^5x_3, x_3^6x_2^3\{x_1, x_2\}, \\ x_3^8x_2\{x_1, x_2\}^2, x_3^{10}\{x_1, x_2\}^2, x_3^{12}\{x_1, x_2\}, x_3^{14}).$$

## 2.3 Case $d_1 + d_2 > d_3 + 1$ .

- Subcase  $d_1 = d_2 = d_3$ .

**Proposition 2.3.1.** Let  $2 \leq d := d_1 = d_2 = d_3$  be positive integers. The Hilbert function of the standard graded complete intersection  $A = K[x_1, x_2, x_3]/I$ , where  $I$  is the ideal generated by  $f_1, f_2, f_3$ , with  $f_i$  homogeneous polynomials of degree  $d_i$ , for all  $i$ , with  $1 \leq i \leq 3$ , has the form:

1.  $H(A, k) = \binom{k+2}{k}$ , for  $k \leq d - 1$ .
2.  $H(A, k) = \binom{k+2}{2} - \frac{3j(j+1)}{2}$ , for  $k = j + d - 1$ , where  $0 \leq j \leq \lfloor \frac{d-1}{2} \rfloor$ .
3.  $H(A, k) = H(A, 3d - k - 3)$ , for  $k \geq \lceil \frac{3d-3}{2} \rceil$ .

*Proof.* It follows from [31, Lemma 2.9(b)].  $\square$

**Corollary 2.3.2.** In the conditions of Proposition 2.3.1, let  $J = \text{Gin}(I)$  be the generic initial ideal of  $I$  with respect to the reverse lexicographic order. If we denote by  $J_k$  the set of monomials of  $J$  of degree  $k$ , then:

1.  $|J_k| = 0$ , for  $k \leq d - 1$ .
2.  $|J_k| = \frac{3j(j+1)}{2}$ , for  $k = d - 1 + j$ , where  $0 \leq j \leq \lceil \frac{3d-1}{2} \rceil$ .
3. If  $d$  is even, then  $|J_k| = \frac{3d^2+3d(4j+2)}{8} + \frac{3j(j+1)}{2}$ , for  $k = j + \frac{3d-2}{2}$ , where  $0 \leq j \leq \frac{d-2}{2}$ .  
If  $d$  is odd, then  $|J_k| = \frac{3(d^2-1)+12jd}{8} + \frac{3j^2}{2}$ , for  $k = j + \frac{3d-3}{2}$ , where  $0 \leq j \leq \frac{d-1}{2}$ .
4.  $|J_k| = \frac{3d(d-1)}{2} + 3jd$ , for  $k = j + 2d - 2$ , where  $0 \leq j \leq d - 1$ .
5.  $J_k = S_k$ , for  $k \geq 3d - 2$ .

**Proposition 2.3.3.** Let  $2 \leq d := d_1 = d_2 = d_3$  be positive integers. Let  $f_1, f_2, f_3 \in K[x_1, x_2, x_3]$  be a regular sequence of homogeneous polynomials of degrees  $d_1, d_2, d_3$ . If  $I = (f_1, f_2, f_3)$ ,  $J = \text{Gin}(I)$ , the generic initial ideal with respect to the reverse lexicographic order, and  $S/I$  has (SLP), then:

$$J = (x_1^{d-2}\{x_1, x_2\}^2, x_1^{d-2j-1}x_2^{3j+1}, x_1^{d-2j-2}x_2^{3j+2} \text{ for } 1 \leq j \leq \frac{d-3}{2}, x_2^{\frac{3d-1}{2}}, x_3x_2^{\frac{3d-3}{2}},$$

$$x_3^{2j+1}x_1^{2j}x_2^{\frac{3d-3}{2}-3j}, \dots, x_3^{2j+1}x_2^{\frac{3d-3}{2}-j}, 1 \leq j \leq \frac{d-3}{2}, x_3^{d-2+2j}\{x_1, x_2\}^{d-j}, 1 \leq j \leq d)$$

if  $d$  is odd, or

$$J = (x_1^{d-2}\{x_1, x_2\}^2, x_1^{d-2j-1}x_2^{3j+1}, x_1^{d-2j-2}x_2^{3j+2} \text{ for } 1 \leq j \leq \frac{d-4}{2}, x_1x_2^{\frac{3d-4}{2}}, x_2^{\frac{3d-2}{2}},$$

$$x_3^{2j}x_1^{2j-1}x_2^{\frac{3d}{2}-3j}, \dots, x_3^{2j}x_2^{\frac{3d-2}{2}-j}, 1 \leq j \leq \frac{d-2}{2}, x_3^{d-2+2j}\{x_1, x_2\}^{d-j}, 1 \leq j \leq d)$$

if  $d$  is even.

*Proof.* We have  $|J_d| = 3$ , hence  $J_d = \{x_1^{d-2}\{x_1, x_2\}^2\}$ , since  $J$  is strongly stable and  $x_3$  is strong Lefschetz for  $S/J$ . Therefore:

$$\text{Shad}(J_d) = \{x_1^{d-2}\{x_1, x_2\}^3, x_1^{d-2}x_3\{x_1, x_2\}^2\}.$$

Now we have four possibilities to analyze:  $d = 2$ ,  $d = 3$ ,  $d = 4$  and  $d \geq 5$ .

**d = 2.** Using the formulas from Corollary 2.3.2 we have  $|J_3| - |\text{Shad}(J_2)| = 2$  so there are two generators to add to  $\text{Shad}(J_2)$  to obtain  $J_3$ . Since  $J$  is strongly stable and  $x_3$  is a strong Lefschetz element for  $S/J$  these new generators are  $x_3^2x_1$  and  $x_3^2x_2$ . Therefore

$$J_3 = \{\{x_1, x_2\}^3, x_3\{x_1, x_2\}^2, x_3^2\{x_1, x_2\}\}.$$

Since  $|J_4| - |\text{Shad}(J_3)| = 1$  there is only one generator to add to  $\text{Shad}(J_3)$  and this is precisely  $x_3^4$ . It follows  $J_4 = S_4$  and thus we cannot add new minimal generators of  $J$  in degree  $> 5$ .

$\mathbf{d} = \mathbf{3}$ . We have  $|J_4| - |\text{Shad}(J_3)| = 2$  so there are two generators to add to  $\text{Shad}(J_3)$  to obtain  $J_4$ . Since  $J$  is strongly stable and  $x_3$  is a strong Lefschetz element for  $S/J$  these new generators are  $x_2^4$  and  $x_3x_2^3$ . Therefore

$$J_4 = \{\{x_1, x_2\}^4, x_3\{x_1, x_2\}^3\}.$$

Since  $|J_5| - |\text{Shad}(J_4)| = 3$  there are three new monomials to add to  $\text{Shad}(J_4)$  in order to obtain  $J_5$ . Since  $J$  is strongly stable and  $x_3$  is a strong Lefschetz element for  $S/J$  these new generators are  $x_3^3\{x_1, x_2\}^2$ . Analogously, we must add two new monomial to  $\text{Shad}(J_5)$  in order to obtain  $J_6$  and these are  $x_3^5\{x_1, x_2\}$ . Finally, we will add  $x_3^7$  and thus we cannot add new minimal generators of  $J$  in degree  $> 7$ .

$\mathbf{d} = \mathbf{4}$ . We have  $|J_4| - |\text{Shad}(J_3)| = 2$  so there are two generators to add to  $\text{Shad}(J_4)$  to obtain  $J_5$ . Since  $J$  is strongly stable and  $x_3$  is a strong Lefschetz element for  $S/J$  these new generators are  $x_1x_2^4$  and  $x_2^5$ . Therefore

$$J_5 = \{\{x_1, x_2\}^5, x_1^2x_3\{x_1, x_2\}^2\}.$$

Since  $|J_6| - |\text{Shad}(J_5)| = 2$  there are two new monomials to add to  $\text{Shad}(J_5)$  in order to obtain  $J_6$  and using the usual argument these new monomials are  $x_3^2x_1x_2^2, x_3^2x_2^4$ . It follows

$$J_6 = \{\{x_1, x_2\}^6, x_3\{x_1, x_2\}^5, x_3^2\{x_1, x_2\}^4\}.$$

Finally, we will add consequently  $x_3^4\{x_1, x_2\}^3, x_3^6\{x_1, x_2\}^2, x_3^8\{x_1, x_2\}$  and  $x_3^{10}$ .

Suppose now  $d \geq 5$ . We have  $|J_{d+1}| - |\text{Shad}(J_d)| = 2$  so there are two generators to add to  $\text{Shad}(J_d)$  to obtain  $J_{d+1}$ . Since  $J$  is strongly stable and  $x_3$  is a strong Lefschetz element for  $S/J$  these new generators are  $x_1^{d-3}x_2^4, x_1^{d-4}x_2^5$ . It follows

$$J_{d+1} = \{x_1^{d-4}\{x_1, x_2\}^5, x_1^{d-2}x_3\{x_1, x_2\}^3, x_1^{d-2}x_3^2\{x_1, x_2\}^2\}.$$

We prove by induction on  $j$ , with  $1 \leq j \leq \lfloor \frac{d-3}{2} \rfloor$  that

$$\begin{aligned} J_{d+j} &= \text{Shad}(J_{d+j-1}) \cup \{x_1^{d-2j-1}x_2^{3j+1}, x_1^{d-2j-2}x_2^{3j+2}\} = \\ &= \{x_1^{d-2j-2}\{x_1, x_2\}^{3j+2}, x_1^{d-2j+1}x_3\{x_1, x_2\}^{3j-1}, \dots, x_1^{d-2}x_3^j\{x_1, x_2\}^2\}, \end{aligned}$$

the assertion being checked for  $j = 1$ . Assume now that the statement is true for some  $j \leq \lfloor \frac{d-3}{2} \rfloor$ . Then

$$\text{Shad}(J_{d+j}) = \{x_1^{d-2j-2}\{x_1, x_2\}^{3j+3}, x_1^{d-2j-2}x_3\{x_1, x_2\}^{3j+2}, \dots, x_1^{d-2}x_3^{j+1}\{x_1, x_2\}^2\}.$$

Since  $|J_{d+j+1}| - |\text{Shad}(J_{d+j})| = 2$  we must add two generators to  $\text{Shad}(J_{d+j})$  to obtain  $J_{d+j+1}$ . Using the fact that  $J$  is strongly stable and  $x_3$  is a strong Lefschetz element for  $S/J$  it follows that these new generators are  $x_1^{d-2j-3}x_2^{3j+4}, x_1^{d-2j-4}x_2^{3j+5}$ , so the induction step is fulfilled.

We must consider now two possibilities.

1.  $d$  is odd. We obtain

$$J_{\frac{3d-3}{2}} = \{x_1\{x_1, x_2\}^{\frac{3d-5}{2}}, x_1^3 x_3\{x_1, x_2\}^{\frac{3d-11}{2}}, \dots, x_1^{d-2} x_3^{\frac{d-3}{2}} \{x_1, x_2\}^2\}.$$

Since  $|J_{\frac{3d-1}{2}}| - |\text{Shad}(J_{\frac{3d-3}{2}})| = 2$  there are two generators to add to  $\text{Shad}(J_{\frac{3d-3}{2}})$  to obtain  $J_{\frac{3d-1}{2}}$ , and they must be  $x_2^{\frac{3d-1}{2}}$ ,  $x_3 x_2^{\frac{3d-3}{2}}$  using the usual argument. Therefore,

$$J_{\frac{3d-1}{2}} = \{\{x_1, x_2\}^{\frac{3d-1}{2}}, x_3\{x_1, x_2\}^{\frac{3d-3}{2}}, \dots, x_1^{d-2} x_3^{\frac{d-1}{2}} \{x_1, x_2\}^2\}.$$

Since  $|J_{\frac{3d+1}{2}}| - |\text{Shad}(J_{\frac{3d-1}{2}})| = 1$  we must add a 3 new generators to  $\text{Shad}(J_{\frac{3d-1}{2}})$  to obtain  $J_{\frac{3d+1}{2}}$  and since  $J$  is strongly stable and  $x_3$  is a strong Lefschetz element for  $\tilde{S}/J$ , they are  $x_1^2 x_3^3 x_2^{\frac{3d-9}{2}}$ ,  $x_1 x_3^3 x_2^{\frac{3d-7}{2}}$ ,  $x_3^3 x_2^{\frac{3d-5}{2}}$ .

We prove by induction on  $j$ , with  $1 \leq j \leq \frac{d-3}{2}$  that

$$\begin{aligned} J_{\frac{3d-1}{2}+j} &= \{\text{Shad}(J_{\frac{3d-3}{2}+j})\} \cup \{x_3^{2j+1} x_1^{2j} x_2^{\frac{3d-3}{2}-3j}, \dots, x_3^{2j+1} x_2^{\frac{3d-3}{2}-j}\} = \\ &= \{\{x_1, x_2\}^{\frac{3d-1}{2}+j}, x_3\{x_1, x_2\}^{\frac{3d-3}{2}+j}, \dots, x_3^{2j+1} \{x_1, x_2\}^{\frac{3d-3}{2}-j}, \\ &\quad x_3^{2j+2} x_1^{2j+3} \{x_1, x_2\}^{\frac{3d-11}{2}-3j}, \dots, x_1^{d-2} x_3^{\frac{d-1}{2}+j} \{x_1, x_2\}^2\}. \end{aligned}$$

This assertion is proved for  $j = 1$ . Assume the assertion is true for some  $j < \frac{d-3}{2}$ . Since  $|J_{\frac{3d+1}{2}+j}| - |\text{Shad}(J_{\frac{3d-1}{2}+j})| = 2j + 3$  we must add  $2j + 3$  new generators to  $\text{Shad}(J_{\frac{3d-1}{2}+j})$  in order to obtain  $J_{\frac{3d+1}{2}+j}$ . The usual argument implies that those new generators are  $x_3^{2j+3} x_1^{2j+2} x_2^{\frac{3d-3}{2}-3j-3}, \dots, x_3^{2j+3} x_2^{\frac{3d-3}{2}-j-1}$ , which conclude the induction.

2.  $d$  is even. We obtain

$$J_{\frac{3d-4}{2}} = \{x_1^2 \{x_1, x_2\}^{\frac{3d-8}{2}}, x_1^4 x_3 \{x_1, x_2\}^{\frac{3d-14}{2}}, \dots, x_1^{d-2} x_3^{\frac{d-4}{2}} \{x_1, x_2\}^2\}.$$

We have  $|J_{\frac{3d-2}{2}}| - |\text{Shad}(J_{\frac{3d-4}{2}})| = 2$  so we must add two new generators to  $\text{Shad}(J_{\frac{3d-4}{2}})$  to obtain  $J_{\frac{3d-2}{2}}$ . Since  $J$  is strongly stable and  $x_3$  is a strong Lefschetz element for  $\tilde{S}/J$ , they are  $x_1 x_2^{\frac{3d-4}{2}}$  and  $x_2^{\frac{3d-2}{2}}$ , therefore

$$J_{\frac{3d-2}{2}} = \{\{x_1, x_2\}^{\frac{3d-2}{2}}, x_1^2 x_3 \{x_1, x_2\}^{\frac{3d-8}{2}}, \dots, x_1^{d-2} x_3^{\frac{d-2}{2}} \{x_1, x_2\}^2\}.$$

Since  $|J_{\frac{3d}{2}}| - |\text{Shad}(J_{\frac{3d-2}{2}})| = 2$  we must add two new generators to  $\text{Shad}(J_{\frac{3d-2}{2}})$  in order to obtain  $J_{\frac{3d}{2}}$  and since  $J$  is strongly stable and  $x_3$  is a strong Lefschetz element for  $\tilde{S}/J$ , they are  $x_1 x_3^2 x_2^{\frac{3d-6}{2}}$  and  $x_3^2 x_2^{\frac{3d-4}{2}}$ .

We prove by induction on  $j$ , with  $1 \leq j \leq \frac{d-2}{2}$  that

$$J_{\frac{3d-2}{2}+j} = \text{Shad}(J_{\frac{3d-4}{2}+j}) \cup \{x_3^{2j} x_1^{2j-1} x_2^{\frac{3d}{2}-3j}, \dots, x_3^{2j} x_2^{\frac{3d-2}{2}-j}\}.$$



The assertion has been proved for  $j = 1$  and suppose it is true for some  $j < \frac{d-2}{2}$ . Since  $|J_{\frac{3d}{2}+j}| - |\text{Shad}(J_{\frac{3d-2}{2}+j})| = 2j + 2$  we must add  $2j + 2$  generators to  $\text{Shad}(J_{\frac{3d-2}{2}+j})$  in order to obtain  $J_{\frac{3d}{2}+j}$  and since  $J$  is strongly stable and  $x_3$  is a strong Lefschetz element for  $S/J$  they must be  $x_3^{2j+2}x_1^{2j+1}x_2^{\frac{3d}{2}-3j-3}, \dots, x_3^{2j+2}x_2^{\frac{3d-4}{2}-j}$ , which conclude the induction.

Either if  $d$  is even, either if  $d$  is odd, we obtain

$$J_{2d-2} = \{\{x_1, x_2\}^{2d-2}, x_3\{x_1, x_2\}^{2d-2}, \dots, x_3^{d-2}\{x_1, x_2\}^d\} = \{\{x_1, x_2\}^d\{x_1, x_2, x_3\}^{d-2}\}.$$

Since  $|J_{2d-1}| - |\text{Shad}(J_{2d-2})| = d$  we must add  $d$  new generators to  $\text{Shad}(J_{2d-2})$  to obtain  $J_{2d-1}$ . But  $J$  is strongly stable and  $x_3$  is a strong Lefschetz element for  $S/J$ , so we must add  $x_3^d\{x_1, x_2\}^{d-1}$ , therefore  $J_{2d-1} = \{\{x_1, x_2\}^{d-1}\{x_1, x_2, x_3\}^d\}$ . Using induction on  $j \leq d$ , we prove that

$$J_{2d-2+j} = \text{Shad}(J_{2d-3+j}) \cup \{x_3^{d-2+2j}\{x_1, x_2\}^{d-j}\} = \{x_1, x_2\}^{d-j}\{x_1, x_2, x_3\}^{d-2+2j}.$$

For  $j = 1$  we already proved. Suppose the assertion is true for  $j < d$ . We have  $|J_{2d-1+j}| - |\text{Shad}(J_{2d-2+j})| = d - j$  so we must add  $d - j$  new monomials to  $\text{Shad}(J_{2d-2+j})$  to obtain  $J_{2d-1+j}$  and from the usual argument, these new monomials are  $x_3^{d+2j}\{x_1, x_2\}^{d-j-1}$ . Finally, since  $J_{3d-2} = S_{3d-2}$  we cannot add new minimal generators of  $J$  in degree  $> 3d - 2$ .  $\square$

**Corollary 2.3.4.** *In the conditions above, the number of minimal generators of  $J$  is  $1 + \frac{d(d+1)}{2} + \frac{(d+1)^2}{4}$  when  $d$  is odd, or  $1 + \frac{d(d+1)}{2} + \frac{d(d+2)}{4}$  when  $d$  is even.*

**Example 2.3.5.** 1. Let  $d_1 = d_2 = d_3 = 5$ . Then

$$J = (x_1^3\{x_1, x_2\}^2, x_1^2x_2^4, x_1x_2^5, x_2^7, x_3x_2^6, x_2^3x_3^3\{x_1, x_2\}^2, \\ x_3^5\{x_1, x_2\}^4, x_3^7\{x_1, x_2\}^3, x_3^9\{x_1, x_2\}^2, x_3^{11}\{x_1, x_2\}, x_3^{13}).$$

2. Let  $d_1 = d_2 = d_3 = 6$ . Then

$$J = (x_1^4\{x_1, x_2\}^2, x_1^3x_2^4, x_1^2x_2^5, x_1x_2^7, x_2^8, x_2^6x_3^2\{x_1, x_2\}, x_2^3x_3^4\{x_1, x_2\}^3, \\ x_3^6\{x_1, x_2\}^5, x_3^8\{x_1, x_2\}^4, x_3^{10}\{x_1, x_2\}^3, x_{12}^6\{x_1, x_2\}^2, x_{14}^6\{x_1, x_2\}, x_{16}^6)$$

- Subcase  $d_1 = d_2 < d_3$ .

**Proposition 2.3.6.** Let  $2 \leq d := d_1 = d_2 < d_3$  be positive integers such that  $d_1 + d_2 > d_3 + 1$ . The Hilbert function of the standard graded complete intersection  $A = K[x_1, x_2, x_3]/I$ , where  $I$  is the ideal generated by  $f_1, f_2, f_3$ , with  $f_i$  homogeneous polynomials of degree  $d_i$ , for all  $i$ , with  $1 \leq i \leq 3$ , has the form:

1.  $H(A, k) = \binom{k+2}{k}$ , for  $k \leq d-1$ .
2.  $H(A, k) = \binom{d+1}{2} + \sum_{i=1}^j (d-i)$ , for  $k = j + d - 1$ , where  $0 \leq j \leq d_3 - d$ .
3.  $H(A, k) = \binom{d+1}{2} + \sum_{i=1}^{d_3-d} (d-i) + \sum_{i=1}^j (2d - d_3 - 2i)$ , for  $k = j + d_3 - 1$ , where  $0 \leq j \leq \lfloor \frac{2d-d_3-1}{2} \rfloor$ .
4.  $H(A, k) = H(A, d_3 + 2d - 3 - k)$ , for  $k \geq \lceil \frac{d_3+2d-3}{2} \rceil$ .

*Proof.* It follows from [31, Lemma 2.9(b)].  $\square$

**Corollary 2.3.7.** In the conditions of Proposition 2.3.6, let  $J = \text{Gin}(I)$  be the generic initial ideal of  $I$  with respect to the reverse lexicographic order. If we denote by  $J_k$  the set of monomials of  $J$  of degree  $k$ , then:

1.  $|J_k| = 0$ , for  $k \leq d-1$ .
2.  $|J_k| = j(j+1)$ , for  $k = j + d - 1$  where  $0 \leq j \leq d_3 - d$ .
3.  $|J_k| = d_3^2 + d_3 - d^2 - d - 2dd_3 + j(2d_3 - d) + \frac{3j(j+1)}{2}$ , for  $k = j + d_3 - 1$ , where  $0 \leq j \leq \lfloor \frac{2d-d_3-1}{2} \rfloor$ .
4. If  $d_3$  is even then  $|J_k| = \frac{4d^2+3d_3^2-4dd_3+4d}{8} + \frac{j(2d+d_3)}{2} + \frac{3j(j+1)}{2}$ , for  $k = j + \frac{2d+d_3-2}{2}$ , where  $0 \leq j \leq \frac{2d-d_3-2}{2}$ .  
If  $d_3$  is odd then  $|J_k| = \frac{3d_3^2+4d^2-4dd_3-3}{2} + \frac{j(2d+d_3-3)}{2} + \frac{3j(j+1)}{2}$ , for  $k = j + \frac{2d+d_3-3}{2}$ , where  $0 \leq j \leq \frac{2d-d_3-1}{2}$ .
5.  $|J_k| = 3d^2 - 2d + \frac{d_3(d_3+1)}{2} - 2dd_3 + (4d - d_3)j + j(j-1)$ , for  $k = j + 2d - 2$ , where  $0 \leq j \leq d_3 - d$ .
6.  $|J_k| = \frac{(d+d_3)(d+d_3-1)}{2} - \frac{d(d+1)}{2} + j(2d + d_3)$ , for  $k = j + d_3 + d - 2$ , where  $0 \leq j \leq d-1$ .
7.  $J_k = S_k$ , for  $k \geq 3d - 2$ .

**Proposition 2.3.8.** Let  $2 \leq d := d_1 = d_2 < d_3$  be positive integers such that  $2d > d_3 + 1$ . Let  $f_1, f_2, f_3 \in K[x_1, x_2, x_3]$  be a regular sequence of homogeneous polynomials of degrees  $d_1, d_2, d_3$ . If  $I = (f_1, f_2, f_3)$ ,  $J = \text{Gin}(I)$ , the generic initial ideal with respect to the reverse lexicographic order and  $S/I$  has (SLP), then if  $d_3$  is even, we have:

$$\begin{aligned}
J &= (x_1^d, x_1^{d-1}x_2, x_1^{d-j-1}x_2^{2j+1} \text{ for } 1 \leq j \leq d_3 - d - 1, \\
&\quad x_1^{2d-d_3-2j+1}x_2^{2d_3-2d+3j-2}, x_1^{2d-d_3-2j}x_2^{2d_3-2d+3j-1} \text{ for } 1 \leq j \leq \frac{2d-d_3}{2}, \\
&\quad x_3^{2j}x_1^{2j-1}x_2^{\frac{2d+d_3-2}{2}-3j}, \dots, x_3^{2j}x_2^{\frac{2d+d_3-4}{2}-j} \text{ for } 1 \leq j \leq \frac{2d-d_3-2}{2},
\end{aligned}$$

$$x_3^{2d-d_3-2+2j} x_2^{2d_3-2d+2-2j} \{x_1, x_2\}^{2d-d_3+j-2}, 1 \leq j \leq d_3 - d, x_3^{d_3-2+2j} \{x_1, x_2\}^{d-j}, 1 \leq j \leq d).$$

Otherwise, if  $d_3$  is odd, we have

$$\begin{aligned} J = & (x_1^d, x_1^{d-1} x_2, x_1^{d-j-1} x_2^{2j+1} \text{ for } 1 \leq j \leq d_3 - d - 1, \\ & x_1^{2d-d_3-2j+1} x_2^{2d_3-2d+3j-2}, x_1^{2d-d_3-2j} x_2^{2d_3-2d+3j-1} \text{ for } 1 \leq j \leq \frac{2d-d_3-1}{2}, \\ & x_2^{\frac{2d+d_3-1}{2}}, x_3 x_2^{\frac{2d+d_3-3}{2}}, x_3^{2j+1} x_1^{2j} x_2^{\frac{2d+d_3-3}{2}-3j}, \dots, x_3^{2j+1} x_2^{\frac{2d+d_3-3}{2}-j}, 1 \leq j \leq \frac{2d-d_3-3}{2}, \\ & x_3^{2d-d_3-2+2j} x_2^{2d_3-2d+2-2j} \{x_1, x_2\}^{2d-d_3+j-2}, 1 \leq j \leq d_3 - d, x_3^{d_3-2+2j} \{x_1, x_2\}^{d-j}, 1 \leq j \leq d). \end{aligned}$$

*Proof.* We note first that  $d \geq 3$ . Indeed, if  $d = 2$  then the condition  $2d > d_3 + 1$  implies  $d_3 = 2$  which is a contradiction. We have  $|J_d| = 2$ , hence  $J_d = x_1^{d-1} \{x_1, x_2\}$ , since  $J$  is strongly stable. Therefore:

$$\text{Shad}(J_d) = \{x_1^{d-1} \{x_1, x_2\}^2, x_1^{d-1} x_3 \{x_1, x_2\}\}.$$

Assume  $d_3 > d + 1$ . Since  $|J_{d+1}| - |\text{Shad}(J_d)| = 1$  we must add a new generator to  $\text{Shad}(J_d)$  in order to obtain  $J_{d+1}$ . On the other hand,  $J$  is strongly stable and  $x_3$  is a strong Lefschetz element for  $S/J$  so this new generator is  $x_1^{d-2} x_2^3$ , therefore

$$J_{d+1} = \{x_1^{d-2} \{x_1, x_2\}^3, x_1^{d-1} x_3 \{x_1, x_2\}\}.$$

We prove by induction on  $1 \leq j \leq d_3 - d - 1$  that

$$J_{d+j} = \text{Shad}(J_{d-1+j}) \cup \{x_1^{d-j-1} x_2^{2j+1}\} = \{x_1^{d-j-1} \{x_1, x_2\}^{2j+1}, \dots, x_1^{d-1} x_3^j \{x_1, x_2\}\}.$$

The case  $j = 1$  was done. Suppose the assertion is true for some  $j < d_3 - d - 1$ . Then, since  $|J_{d+j+1}| - |\text{Shad}(J_{d+j})| = 1$  it follows that we must add one generator to  $\text{Shad}(J_{d+j})$  in order to obtain  $J_{d+j+1}$ . Since  $J$  is strongly stable and  $x_3$  is a strong Lefschetz element for  $S/J$ , this new generator must be  $x_1^{d-j-2} x_2^{2j+3}$ . In particular,

$$J_{d_3-1} = \{x_1^{2d-d_3} \{x_1, x_2\}^{2d_3-2d-1}, x_1^{2d-d_3+1} x_3 \{x_1, x_2\}^{2d_3-2d-3}, \dots, x_3^{d_3-d-1} x_1^{d-1} \{x_1, x_2\}\},$$

which is the same formula as in the case  $d_3 = d + 1$ .

We need to consider several possibilities. First, suppose  $d_3 = 2d - 2$ . We have  $|J_{d_3}| - |\text{Shad}(J_{d_3-1})| = 2$  so we must add two generators to  $\text{Shad}(J_{d_3-1})$  in order to obtain  $J_{d_3} = J_{2d-2}$ . But since  $J$  is strongly stable and  $x_3$  is a strong Lefschetz element for  $S/J$ , these new generators are  $x_1 x_2^{2d-3}$  and  $x_2^{2d-2}$ .

Suppose now  $d_3 < 2d - 2$ . Since  $|J_{d_3}| - |\text{Shad}(J_{d_3-1})| = 2$  we must add two generators to  $\text{Shad}(J_{d_3-1})$  in order to obtain  $J_{d_3}$ .  $J$  strongly stable and  $x_3$  is a strong Lefschetz element for  $S/J$  force us to choose  $x_1^{2d-d_3-1} x_2^{2d_3-2d+1}, x_1^{2d-d_3-2} x_2^{2d_3-2d+2}$ , so

$$J_{d_3} = \{x_1^{2d-d_3-2} \{x_1, x_2\}^{2d_3-2d}, x_1^{2d-d_3} x_3 \{x_1, x_2\}^{2d_3-2d-1}, x_1^{2d-d_3+1} x_3^2 \{x_1, x_2\}^{2d_3-2d-3}\}.$$

We show by induction on  $1 \leq j \leq \lfloor \frac{2d-d_3+1}{2} \rfloor$  that

$$\begin{aligned} J_{d_3-1+j} &= \text{Shad}(J_{d_3-2+j}) \cup \{x_1^{2d-d_3-2j+1} x_2^{2d_3-2d+3j-2}, x_1^{2d-d_3-2j} x_2^{2d_3-2d+3j-1}\} = \\ &= \{x_1^{2d-d_3-2j} \{x_1, x_2\}^{2d_3-2d+3j-1}, x_3 x_1^{2d-d_3-2j+2} \{x_1, x_2\}^{2d_3-2d+3j-4}, \dots, \\ &x_3^j x_1^{2d-d_3} \{x_1, x_2\}^{2d_3-2d-1}, x_3^{j+1} x_1^{2d-d_3+1} \{x_1, x_2\}^{2d_3-2d-3}, \dots, x_3^{d_3-d-1+j} x_1^{d-1} \{x_1, x_2\}\}. \end{aligned}$$

We already done the case  $j = 1$ . Suppose the assertion is true for some  $j < \lfloor \frac{2d-d_3+1}{2} \rfloor$ . We have  $|J_{d_3+j}| - |\text{Shad}(J_{d_3+j-1})| = 2$  so we add two generators to  $\text{Shad}(J_{d_3+j-1})$  and they must be  $x_1^{2d-d_3-2j-1} x_2^{2d_3-2d+3j+1}, x_1^{2d-d_3-2j-2} x_2^{2d_3-2d+3j+2}$  from the usual argument. In the following, we distinguish between two possibilities:  $d$  is even or  $d$  is odd. If  $d$  is even, we get

$$\begin{aligned} J_{\frac{2d+d_3-4}{2}} &= \{x_1^2 \{x_1, x_2\}^{\frac{2d+d_3-8}{2}}, x_3 x_1^4 \{x_1, x_2\}^{\frac{2d+d_3-14}{2}}, \dots, \\ &x_3^{\frac{2d-d_3-2}{2}} x_1^{2d-d_3} \{x_1, x_2\}^{2d_3-2d-1}, \dots, x_3^{\frac{d_3-3}{2}} x_1^{d-1} \{x_2, x_2\}\}. \end{aligned}$$

We have  $|J_{\frac{2d+d_3-2}{2}}| - |\text{Shad}(J_{\frac{2d+d_3-4}{2}})| = 2$  so we add two generators to  $\text{Shad}(J_{\frac{2d+d_3-4}{2}})$  and they must be  $x_1 x_2^{\frac{2d+d_3-4}{2}}, x_2^{\frac{2d+d_3-2}{2}}$ , so:

$$\begin{aligned} J_{\frac{2d+d_3-2}{2}} &= \{\{x_1, x_2\}^{\frac{2d+d_3-2}{2}}, x_3 x_1^2 \{x_1, x_2\}^{\frac{2d+d_3-8}{2}}, \dots, \\ &, x_3^{\frac{2d-d_3}{2}} x_1^{2d-d_3} \{x_1, x_2\}^{2d_3-2d-1}, \dots, x_3^{\frac{d_3-2}{2}} x_1^{d-1} \{x_2, x_2\}\}. \end{aligned}$$

One can easily show by induction on  $1 \leq j \leq \frac{2d-d_3-2}{2}$ , if case, that

$$\begin{aligned} J_{\frac{2d+d_3-2}{2}+j} &= \text{Shad}(J_{\frac{2d+d_3-4}{2}+j}) \cup \{x_3^{2j} x_1^{2j-1} x_2^{\frac{2d+d_3-2}{2}-3j}, \dots, x_3^{2j} x_2^{\frac{2d+d_3-4}{2}-j}\} = \\ &= \{\{x_1, x_2\}^{\frac{2d+d_3-2}{2}+j}, \dots, x_3^{2j} \{x_1, x_2\}^{\frac{2d+d_3-2}{2}-j}, x_3^{2j+1} x_1^{2j+2} \{x_1, x_2\}^{\frac{2d+d_3-8}{2}-3j}, \dots, \\ &x_3^{\frac{2d-d_3}{2}+j} x_1^{2d-d_3} \{x_1, x_2\}^{2d_3-2d-1}, \dots, x_3^{\frac{d_3-2}{2}+j} x_1^{d-1} \{x_1, x_2\}\}. \end{aligned}$$

Indeed, if  $j = 1$ , we have  $|J_{\frac{2d+d_3}{2}+j}| - |\text{Shad}(J_{\frac{2d+d_3-2}{2}+j})| = 2$  so we must add two monomials to  $\text{Shad}(J_{\frac{2d+d_3-2}{2}+j})$  in order to obtain  $J_{\frac{2d+d_3}{2}+j}$ . Since  $J$  is strongly stable and  $x_3$  is a strong

Lefschetz element for  $S/J$ , these new monomials are  $x_3^2 x_1 x_2^{\frac{2d+d_3-2}{2}-3}$  and  $x_3^2 x_2^{\frac{2d+d_3-2}{2}-2}$ . The induction step is similar.

If  $d$  is odd, we have  $J_{\frac{2d+d_3-3}{2}} = \{x_1 \{x_1, x_2\}^{\frac{2d+d_3-5}{2}}, x_3 x_1^3 \{x_1, x_2\}^{\frac{2d+d_3-11}{2}}, \dots,$

$$x_3^{\frac{2d-d_3-1}{2}} x_1^{2d-d_3} \{x_1, x_2\}^{2d_3-2d-1}, \dots, x_3^{\frac{d_3-3}{2}} x_1^{d-1} \{x_2, x_2\}\}.$$

Since  $|J_{\frac{2d+d_3-1}{2}}| - |\text{Shad}(J_{\frac{2d+d_3-3}{2}})| = 2$  we add two generators to  $\text{Shad}(J_{\frac{2d+d_3-3}{2}})$  in order to obtain  $J_{\frac{2d+d_3-1}{2}}$ . Since  $J$  is strongly stable and  $x_3$  is a strong Lefschetz element for  $S/J$ ,

these new monomials are  $x_2^{\frac{2d+d_3-1}{2}}, x_3 x_2^{\frac{2d+d_3-3}{2}}$ , therefore:

$$J_{\frac{2d+d_3-1}{2}} = \{\{x_1, x_2\}^{\frac{2d+d_3-1}{2}}, x_3 \{x_1, x_2\}^{\frac{2d+d_3-3}{2}}, x_3^2 x_1^3 \{x_1, x_2\}^{\frac{2d+d_3-11}{2}}, \dots,$$

$$x_3^{\frac{2d-d_3+1}{2}} x_1^{2d-d_3} \{x_1, x_2\}^{2d_3-2d-1}, \dots, x_3^{\frac{d_3-1}{2}} x_1^{d-1} \{x_2, x_2\}\}.$$

Assume  $d_3 < 2d - 3$  (otherwise  $\frac{2d+d_3-1}{2} = 2d - 2$ ).  $|J_{\frac{2d+d_3+1}{2}}| - |\text{Shad}(J_{\frac{2d+d_3-3}{2}})| = 3$  so we must add 3 generators to  $\text{Shad}(J_{\frac{2d+d_3-3}{2}})$  to obtain  $J_{\frac{2d+d_3+1}{2}}$ . The usual argument implies that they are  $x_1^2 x_3^3 x_2^{\frac{2d+d_3-9}{2}}$ ,  $x_1 x_3^3 x_2^{\frac{2d+d_3-7}{2}}$ ,  $x_3^3 x_2^{\frac{2d+d_3-5}{2}}$  and thus

$$J_{\frac{2d+d_3+1}{2}} = \{\{x_1, x_2\}^{\frac{2d+d_3+1}{2}}, x_3 \{x_1, x_2\}^{\frac{2d+d_3-1}{2}}, x_3^2 \{x_1, x_2\}^{\frac{2d+d_3-3}{2}}, x_3^3 \{x_1, x_2\}^{\frac{2d+d_3-5}{2}}, \dots, x_3^{\frac{2d-d_3+3}{2}} x_1^{2d-d_3} \{x_1, x_2\}^{2d_3-2d-1}, \dots, x_3^{\frac{d_3+1}{2}} x_1^{d-1} \{x_2, x_2\}\}.$$

One can easily prove by induction on  $1 \leq j \leq \frac{2d-d_3-3}{2}$  that

$$\begin{aligned} J_{\frac{2d+d_3-1}{2}+j} &= \text{Shad}(J_{\frac{2d+d_3-3}{2}+j}) \cup \{x_3^{2j+1} x_1^{2j} x_2^{\frac{2d+d_3-3}{2}-3j}, \dots, x_3^{2j+1} x_2^{\frac{2d+d_3-3}{2}-j}\} = \\ &= \{\{x_1, x_2\}^{\frac{2d+d_3-1}{2}+j}, \dots, x_3^{2j+1} \{x_1, x_2\}^{\frac{2d+d_3-3}{2}-j}, x_3^{2j+2} x_1^{2j+3} \{x_1, x_2\}^{\frac{2d+d_3-11}{2}-3j}, \\ &\quad x_3^{\frac{2d-d_3+1}{2}+j} x_1^{2d-d_3} \{x_1, x_2\}^{2d_3-2d-1}, \dots, x_3^{\frac{d_3-1}{2}+j} x_1^{d-1} \{x_1, x_2\}\}. \end{aligned}$$

In all cases above, we get:  $J_{2d-2} = \{\{x_1, x_2\}^{2d-2}, x_3 \{x_1, x_2\}^{2d-3}, \dots, x_3^{2d-d_3-2} \{x_1, x_2\}^{d_3}, x_3^{2d-d_3-1} x_1^{2d-d_3} \{x_1, x_2\}^{2d_3-2d-1}, \dots, x_3^{d-2} x_1^{d-1} \{x_1, x_2\}\}.$

We have  $|J_{2d-1}| - |\text{Shad}(J_{2d-2})| = 2d - d_3$  so we must add  $2d - d_3$  new generators to  $\text{Shad}(J_{2d-2})$  to obtain  $J_{2d-1}$ . We get  $J_{2d-1} = \{\{x_1, x_2\}^{2d-1}, x_3 \{x_1, x_2\}^{2d-2}, \dots, x_3^{2d-d_3} \{x_1, x_2\}^{d_3-1}, x_3^{2d-d_3+1} x_1^{2d-d_3+1} \{x_1, x_2\}^{2d_3-2d-3}, \dots, x_3^{d-1} x_1^{d-1} \{x_1, x_2\}\}.$

One can easily show by induction of  $1 \leq j \leq d_3 - d$  that

$$\begin{aligned} J_{2d-2+j} &= \text{Shad}(J_{2d-3+j}) \cup \{x_3^{2d-d_3-2+2j} x_2^{2d_3-2d+2-2j} \{x_1, x_2\}^{2d-d_3+j-2}\} = \\ &= \{\{x_1, x_2\}^{2d-2+j}, x_3 \{x_1, x_2\}^{2d-3+j}, \dots, x_3^{2d-d_3-2+2j} \{x_1, x_2\}^{d_3-j}, \\ &\quad x_3^{2d-d_3-1+2j} x_1^{2d-d_3+j} \{x_1, x_2\}^{2d_3-2d-1-2j}, \dots, x_3^{d-2+j} x_1^{d-1} \{x_1, x_2\}\}. \end{aligned}$$

In particular, we get:  $J_{d+d_3-2} = \{\{x_1, x_2\}^{d+d_3-2}, x_3 \{x_1, x_2\}^{d+d_3-3}, \dots, x_3^{d_3-2} \{x_1, x_2\}^d\}.$  We have  $|J_{d+d_3-1}| - |\text{Shad}(J_{d+d_3-2})| = d$  so we must add  $d$  new generators to  $\text{Shad}(J_{d+d_3-2})$  in order to obtain  $J_{d+d_3-1}$ . Since  $J$  is strongly stable and  $x_3$  is a strong Lefschetz element for  $S/J$ , these new generators are  $x_3^d \{x_1, x_2\}^{d-1}$  so

$$J_{d+d_3-1} = \{\{x_1, x_2\}^{d+d_3-1}, x_3 \{x_1, x_2\}^{d+d_3-2}, \dots, x_3^d \{x_1, x_2\}^{d-1}\}.$$

Now, one can easily prove by induction on  $1 \leq j \leq d - 1$  that  $J_{d+d_3-2+j}$  is the set

$$\text{Shad}(J_{d+d_3-3+j}) \cup \{x_3^{d_3-2+2j} \{x_1, x_2\}^{d-j}\} = \{\{x_1, x_2\}^{d+d_3-2+j}, \dots, x_3^{d_3-2+2j} \{x_1, x_2\}^{d-j}\}.$$

Finally we obtain that  $J_{d_3+2d-2} = S_{d_3+2d-2}$  and thus we cannot add new minimal generators of  $J$  in degree  $> d_3 + 2d - 2$ .  $\square$

**Corollary 2.3.9.** *In the conditions of the above proposition, the number of minimal generators of  $J$  is  $d(d+1) - \left(\frac{2d-d_3}{2}\right)^2 + 1$  if  $d_3$  is even or  $d(d+1) - \frac{(2d-d_3)^2-1}{4} + 1$  if  $d_3$  is odd.*

**Example 2.3.10.** 1. Let  $d_1 = d_2 = 4$  and  $d_3 = 6$ . We have

$$J = (x_1^4, x_1^3x_2, x_1^2x_2^2, x_1x_2^3, x_2^6, x_3^2x_2^4\{x_1, x_2\}, x_3^4x_2^2\{x_1, x_2\}^2, \\ x_3^6\{x_1, x_2\}^3, x_3^8\{x_1, x_2\}^2, x_3^{10}\{x_1, x_2\}, x_3^{12}).$$

2. Let  $d_1 = d_2 = 4$  and  $d_3 = 5$ . We have:

$$J = (x_1^4, x_1^3x_2, x_1^2x_2^2, x_1x_2^3, x_2^6, x_2^5x_3, x_3^3x_2^2\{x_1, x_2\}^2, \\ x_3^5\{x_1, x_2\}^3, x_3^7\{x_1, x_2\}^2, x_3^9\{x_1, x_2\}, x_3^{11}).$$

- Subcase  $d_1 < d_2 = d_3$ .

**Proposition 2.3.11.** Let  $2 \leq d_1 < d_2 = d_3 =: d$  be positive integers. The Hilbert function of the standard graded complete intersection  $A = K[x_1, x_2, x_3]/I$ , where  $I$  is the ideal generated by  $f_1, f_2, f_3$ , with  $f_i$  homogeneous polynomials of degree  $d_i$ , for all  $i$ , with  $1 \leq i \leq 3$ , has the form:

1.  $H(A, k) = \binom{k+2}{k}$ , for  $k \leq d_1 - 2$ .
2.  $H(A, k) = \binom{d_1+1}{2} + jd_1$ , for  $k = j + d_1 - 1$ , where  $0 \leq j \leq d - d_1$ .
3.  $H(A, k) = \binom{d_1+1}{2} + d_1(d - d_1) + \sum_{i=1}^j (d_1 - 2i)$ , for  $k = j + d - 1$ , where  $0 \leq j \leq \lfloor \frac{d_1-1}{2} \rfloor$ .
4.  $H(A, k) = H(A, d_1 + 2d - 3 - k)$ , for  $k \geq \lceil \frac{d_1+2d-3}{2} \rceil$ .

*Proof.* It follows from [31, Lemma 2.9(b)]. □

**Corollary 2.3.12.** In the conditions of Proposition 2.3.11, let  $J = \text{Gin}(I)$  be the generic initial ideal of  $I$  with respect to the reverse lexicographic order. If we denote by  $J_k$  the set of monomials of  $J$  of degree  $k$ , then:

1.  $|J_k| = 0$ , for  $k \leq d_1 - 1$ .
2.  $|J_k| = j(j+1)/2$ , for  $k = j + d_1 - 1$ , where  $0 \leq j \leq d - d_1$ .
3.  $|J_k| = \frac{(d-d_1)(d-d_1-1)}{2} + j(d - d_1) + \frac{3j(j+1)}{2}$ , for  $k = j + d - 1$ , where  $0 \leq j \leq \lfloor \frac{d_1-1}{2} \rfloor$ .

4. If  $d_1$  is even then  $|J_k| = \frac{3d_1^2 + 2d_1 + 4d^2 + 4d - 4dd_1}{8} + \frac{j(2d+d_1)}{2} + \frac{3j(j+1)}{2}$ , for  $k = j + \frac{2d+d_1-2}{2}$ , where  $0 \leq j \leq \frac{d_1-2}{2}$ .  
If  $d_1$  is odd then  $|J_k| = \frac{3d_1^2 + 4d^2 - 4dd_1 - 3}{2} + \frac{j(2d+d_1)}{2} + \frac{3j^2}{2}$  for  $k = j + \frac{2d+d_1-3}{2}$ , where  $0 \leq j \leq \frac{d_1-1}{2}$ .
5.  $|J_k| = \frac{d(d-1)}{2} + d_1(d_1 - 1) + j(2d_1 + d) + \frac{j(j-1)}{2}$ , for  $k = j + d_1 + d - 2$ , where  $0 \leq j \leq d - d_1$ .
6.  $|J_k| = \frac{2d(2d-1) - d_1(d_1-1)}{2} + j(2d + d_1)$ , for  $k = j + 2d - 2$ , where  $0 \leq j \leq d_1 - 1$ .
7.  $J_k = S_k$ , for  $k \geq 3d - 2$ .

**Proposition 2.3.13.** Let  $2 \leq d_1 < d_2 = d_3 =: d$  be positive integers. Let  $f_1, f_2, f_3 \in K[x_1, x_2, x_3]$  be a regular sequence of homogeneous polynomials of degrees  $d_1, d_2, d_3$ . Let  $I = (f_1, f_2, f_3)$ ,  $J = \text{Gin}(I)$ , the generic initial ideal with respect to the reverse lexicographic order and  $S/I$  has (SLP), then if  $d_1$  is even we have:

$$\begin{aligned}
J = & (x_1^{d_1}, x_1^{d_1-2j+1} x_2^{d-d_1-2+3j}, x_1^{d_1-2j} x_2^{d-d_1-1+3j} \text{ for } 1 \leq j \leq \frac{d_1-2}{2}, \\
& x_1 x_2^{\frac{d_1+2d-4}{2}}, x_2^{\frac{d_1+2d-4}{2}}, x_3^{2j} x_1^{2j-1} x_2^{\frac{d_1+2d}{2}-3j}, \dots, x_3^{2j} x_2^{\frac{d_1+2d-2}{2}-j} \text{ for } 1 \leq j \leq \frac{d_1-4}{2}, \\
& x_3^{d_1-2+2j} x_2^{d-d_1-j+1} \{x_1, x_2\}^{d_1-1} \text{ for } 1 \leq j \leq d - d_1, \\
& x_3^{2d-d_1-2+2j} \{x_1, x_2\}^{d_1-j} \text{ for } 1 \leq j \leq d_1).
\end{aligned}$$

Otherwise, if  $d_1$  is odd, then:

$$\begin{aligned}
J = & (x_1^{d_1}, x_1^{d_1-2j+1} x_2^{d-d_1-2+3j}, x_1^{d_1-2j} x_2^{d-d_1-1+3j} \text{ for } 1 \leq j \leq \frac{d_1-1}{2}, \\
& x_2^{\frac{d_1+2d-1}{2}}, x_3 x_2^{\frac{d_1+2d-3}{2}}, x_3^{2j+1} x_1^{2j} x_2^{\frac{d_1+2d-3}{2}-3j}, \dots, x_3^{2j+1} x_2^{\frac{d_1+2d-3}{2}-3j} \text{ for } 1 \leq j \leq \frac{d_1-3}{2}, \\
& x_3^{d_1-2+2j} x_2^{d-d_1-j+1} \{x_1, x_2\}^{d_1-1} \text{ for } 1 \leq j \leq d - d_1, \\
& x_3^{2d-d_1-2+2j} \{x_1, x_2\}^{d_1-j} \text{ for } 1 \leq j \leq d_1).
\end{aligned}$$

*Proof.* We have  $|J_{d_1}| = 1$ , hence  $J_{d_1} = \{x_1^{d_1}\}$ , since  $J$  is a strongly stable. Therefore:

$$\text{Shad}(J_{d_1}) = \{x_1^{d_1} \{x_1, x_2\}, x_1^{d_1} x_3\}.$$

Assume  $d > d_1 + 1$ . Using the formulas from 2.3.12 we get  $|J_{d_1+1}| - |\text{Shad}(J_{d_1})| = 0$  so  $J_{d_1+1} = \text{Shad}(J_{d_1})$ . We show by induction on  $1 \leq j \leq d - d_1$  that

$$J_{d_1+j} = \text{Shad}(J_{d_1-1+j}) = \{x_1^{d_1} \{x_1, x_2\}^j, x_1^{d_1} x_3 \{x_1, x_2\}^{j-1}, \dots, x_1^{d_1} x_3^j\}.$$

We already prove this for  $j = 1$ . Suppose the assertion is true for some  $j < d - d_1$ . Since  $|J_{d_1+j}| = |Shad(J_{d_1-1+j})|$  we have  $J_{d_1+j} = Shad(J_{d_1-1+j})$  thus the induction step is done. In particular, we get:

$$J_{d-1} = \{x_1^{d_1} \{x_1, x_2\}^{d-d_1-1}, x_1^{d_1} x_3 \{x_1, x_2\}^{d-d_1-2}, \dots, x_1^{d_1} x_3^{d-d_1-1}\}.$$

which is the same expression as in the case  $d = d_1 + 1$ .

In the following, we consider two possibilities. First, suppose  $d_1 = 2$ . We have  $|J_d| - |Shad(J_{d-1})| = 2$  so we must add two new generators to  $Shad(J_{d-1})$  in order to obtain  $J_d$ . Since  $J$  is strongly stable and  $x_3$  is a strong Lefschetz element for  $S/J$  these new generators are  $x_1 x_2^{d-1}$  and  $x_2^d$ .

Suppose now  $d_1 > 2$ . We have  $|J_d| - |Shad(J_{d-1})| = 2$  so we must add two new generators to  $Shad(J_{d-1})$  in order to obtain  $J_d$ . Since  $J$  is strongly stable and  $x_3$  is a strong Lefschetz element for  $S/J$  these new generators are  $x_1^{d_1-1} x_2^{d-d_1+1}$ ,  $x_1^{d_1-2} x_2^{d-d_1+2}$ . Therefore

$$J_d = \{x_1^{d_1-2} \{x_1, x_2\}^{d-d_1}, x_1^{d_1} x_3 \{x_1, x_2\}^{d-d_1-1}, \dots, x_1^{d_1} x_3^{d-d_1}\}.$$

We prove by induction on  $1 \leq j \leq \lfloor \frac{d_1-1}{2} \rfloor$  that:

$$\begin{aligned} J_{d-1+j} &= Shad(J_{d-2+j}) \cup \{x_1^{d_1-2j+1} x_2^{d-d_1-2+3j}, x_1^{d_1-2j} x_2^{d-d_1-1+3j}\} = \\ &= \{x_1^{d_1-2j} \{x_1, x_2\}^{d-d_1-1-3j}, x_1^{d_1-2j+2} x_3 \{x_1, x_2\}^{d-d_1-4-3j}, \dots, x_1^{d_1} x_3^j \{x_1, x_2\}^{d-d_1-1}, \\ &\quad x_1^{d_1} x_3^{j+1} \{x_1, x_2\}^{d-d_1-2}, \dots, x_1^{d_1} x_3^{d-d_1+j-1}\}. \end{aligned}$$

We already done the case  $j = 1$ . Suppose the assertion is true for some  $j < \lfloor \frac{d_1-1}{2} \rfloor$ . Since  $|J_{d+j}| - |Shad(J_{d-1+j})| = 2$  we must add two generators to  $Shad(J_{d-1+j})$  in order to obtain  $J_{d+j}$  and they are  $x_1^{d_1-2j-1} x_2^{d-d_1+3j+1}$ ,  $x_1^{d_1-2j-2} x_2^{d-d_1+3j+2}$  because  $J$  is strongly stable and  $x_3$  is a strong Lefschetz element for  $S/J$ . Therefore, the induction step is done.

In the following, we consider two possibilities:  $d_1$  is even or  $d_1$  is odd. First, suppose  $d_1$  is even. We have

$$\begin{aligned} J_{\frac{d_1+2d-4}{2}} &= \{x_1^2 \{x_1, x_2\}^{\frac{d_1+2d-8}{2}}, x_1^4 x_3 \{x_1, x_2\}^{\frac{d_1+2d-14}{2}}, \dots, x_1^{d_1} x_3^{\frac{d_1-2}{2}} \{x_1, x_2\}^{d-d_1-1}, \\ &\quad x_1^{d_1} x_3^{\frac{d_1}{2}} \{x_1, x_2\}^{d-d_1-2}, \dots, x_1^{d_1} x_3^{\frac{2d-d_1-4}{2}}\}. \end{aligned}$$

Since  $|J_{\frac{d_1+2d-2}{2}}| - |Shad(J_{\frac{d_1+2d-4}{2}})| = 2$  we need to add two new monomials to  $Shad(J_{\frac{d_1+2d-4}{2}})$  and since  $J$  is strongly stable and  $x_3$  is a strong Lefschetz element for  $S/J$ , they are  $x_1 x_2^{\frac{d_1+2d-4}{2}}$ ,  $x_2^{\frac{d_1+2d-4}{2}}$ , thus:

$$\begin{aligned} J_{\frac{d_1+2d-2}{2}} &= \{\{x_1, x_2\}^{\frac{d_1+2d-2}{2}}, x_3 x_1^2 \{x_1, x_2\}^{\frac{d_1+2d-8}{2}}, x_1^4 x_3^2 \{x_1, x_2\}^{\frac{d_1+2d-14}{2}}, \dots, \\ &\quad x_1^{d_1} x_3^{\frac{d_1}{2}} \{x_1, x_2\}^{d-d_1-1}, x_1^{d_1} x_3^{\frac{d_1+2}{2}} \{x_1, x_2\}^{d-d_1-2}, \dots, x_1^{d_1} x_3^{\frac{2d-d_1-2}{2}}\}. \end{aligned}$$



One can easily show by induction on  $1 \leq j \leq \frac{d_1-2}{2}$  that

$$\begin{aligned} J_{\frac{d_1+2d-2}{2}+j} &= \text{Shad}(J_{\frac{d_1+2d-4}{2}+j}) \cup \{x_3^{2j} x_1^{2j-1} x_2^{\frac{d_1+2d}{2}-3j}, \dots, x_3^{2j} x_2^{\frac{d_1+2d-2}{2}-j}\} = \\ &= \{\{x_1, x_2\}^{\frac{d_1+2d-2}{2}+j}, x_3\{x_1, x_2\}^{\frac{d_1+2d-4}{2}+j}, \dots, x_3^{2j}\{x_1, x_2\}^{\frac{d_1+2d-2}{2}-j}, \\ &x_3^{2j+1} x_1^{2j+2}\{x_1, x_2\}^{\frac{d_1+2d-8}{2}-3j}, \dots, x_3^{\frac{d_1}{2}} x_1^{d_1}\{x_1, x_2\}^{d-d_1-1}, \dots, x_1^{d_1} x_3^{\frac{2d-d_1-2}{2}+j}\}. \end{aligned}$$

The assertion was already done for  $j = 1$  and the induction step is similar.

If  $d_1$  is odd, we get

$$\begin{aligned} J_{\frac{d_1+2d-3}{2}} &= \{x_1\{x_1, x_2\}^{\frac{d_1+2d-5}{2}}, x_1^3 x_3\{x_1, x_2\}^{\frac{d_1+2d-11}{2}}, \dots, x_1^{d_1} x_3^{\frac{d_1-1}{2}}\{x_1, x_2\}^{d-d_1-1}, \\ &x_1^{d_1} x_3^{\frac{d_1+1}{2}}\{x_1, x_2\}^{d-d_1-2}, \dots, x_1^{d_1} x_3^{\frac{2d-d_1-3}{2}}\}. \end{aligned}$$

Since  $|J_{\frac{d_1+2d-1}{2}}| - |\text{Shad}(J_{\frac{d_1+2d-3}{2}})| = 2$  we add two generators to  $\text{Shad}(J_{\frac{d_1+2d-3}{2}})$  in order to obtain  $J_{\frac{d_1+2d-1}{2}}$  and they must be  $x_2^{\frac{d_1+2d-1}{2}}, x_3 x_2^{\frac{d_1+2d-3}{2}}$ , therefore:

$$\begin{aligned} J_{\frac{d_1+2d-1}{2}} &= \{\{x_1, x_2\}^{\frac{d_1+2d-1}{2}}, x_3\{x_1, x_2\}^{\frac{d_1+2d-3}{2}}, x_1^3 x_3^2\{x_1, x_2\}^{\frac{d_1+2d-11}{2}}, \dots, \\ &x_1^{d_1} x_3^{\frac{d_1+1}{2}}\{x_1, x_2\}^{d-d_1-1}, x_1^{d_1} x_3^{\frac{d_1+3}{2}}\{x_1, x_2\}^{d-d_1-2}, \dots, x_1^{d_1} x_3^{\frac{2d-d_1-1}{2}}\}. \end{aligned}$$

Since  $|J_{\frac{d_1+2d+1}{2}}| - |\text{Shad}(J_{\frac{d_1+2d-1}{2}})| = 3$ , we add 3 new generators to  $\text{Shad}(J_{\frac{d_1+2d-1}{2}})$  in order to obtain  $J_{\frac{d_1+2d+1}{2}}$  and they are  $x_1^2 x_3^3 x_2^{\frac{d_1+2d-9}{2}}, x_1 x_3^3 x_2^{\frac{d_1+2d-7}{2}}, x_3^3 x_2^{\frac{d_1+2d-5}{2}}$ , therefore

$$\begin{aligned} J_{\frac{d_1+2d+1}{2}} &= \{\{x_1, x_2\}^{\frac{d_1+2d+1}{2}}, x_3\{x_1, x_2\}^{\frac{d_1+2d-1}{2}}, x_3^2\{x_1, x_2\}^{\frac{d_1+2d-3}{2}}, x_3^3\{x_1, x_2\}^{\frac{d_1+2d-5}{2}}, \dots, \\ &x_1^{d_1} x_3^{\frac{d_1+3}{2}}\{x_1, x_2\}^{d-d_1-1}, x_1^{d_1} x_3^{\frac{d_1+5}{2}}\{x_1, x_2\}^{d-d_1-2}, \dots, x_1^{d_1} x_3^{\frac{2d-d_1+1}{2}}\}. \end{aligned}$$

One can easily prove by induction on  $1 \leq j \leq \frac{d_1-3}{2}$  that

$$\begin{aligned} J_{\frac{d_1+2d-1}{2}+j} &= \text{Shad}(J_{\frac{d_1+2d-3}{2}+j}) \cup \{x_3^{2j+1} x_1^{2j} x_2^{\frac{d_1+2d-3}{2}-3j}, \dots, x_3^{2j+1} x_2^{\frac{d_1+2d-3}{2}-3j}\} = \\ &= \{\{x_1, x_2\}^{\frac{d_1+2d-1}{2}+j}, x_3\{x_1, x_2\}^{\frac{d_1+2d-3}{2}+j}, \dots, x_3^{2j+2}\{x_1, x_2\}^{\frac{d_1+2d-3}{2}-j}, \\ &x_3^{2j+2} x_1^{2j+3}\{x_1, x_2\}^{\frac{d_1+2d-11}{2}-3j}, \dots, x_3^{\frac{d_1+1}{2}} x_1^{d_1}\{x_1, x_2\}^{d-d_1-1}, \dots, x_1^{d_1} x_3^{\frac{2d-d_1-1}{2}+j}\}. \end{aligned}$$

The assertion was already proved for  $j = 1$  and the induction step is similar.

In all cases, we obtain

$$J_{d_1+d-2} = \{\{x_1, x_2\}^{d_1+d-2}, x_3\{x_1, x_2\}^{d_1+d-3}, \dots, x_3^{d_1-2}\{x_1, x_2\}^d,$$

$$x_1^{d_1} x_3^{d_1-1} \{x_1, x_2\}^{d-d_1-1}, \dots, x_1^{d_1} x_3^{d-2} \}.$$

We have  $|J_{d_1+d-1}| - |Shad(J_{d_1+d-2})| = d_1$  so we must add  $d_1$  new monomials to  $Shad(J_{d_1+d-2})$  in order to obtain  $J_{d_1+d-1}$ . Since  $J$  is strongly stable and  $x_3$  is a strong Lefschetz element for  $S/J$ , these new monomials are  $x_3^{d_1} x_2^{d-d_1} \{x_1, x_2\}^{d_1-1}$ , therefore

$$J_{d_1+d-1} = (\{x_1, x_2\}^{d_1+d-1}, x_3 \{x_1, x_2\}^{d_1+d-2}, \dots, x_3^{d_1} \{x_1, x_2\}^{d-1}, \\ x_1^{d_1} x_3^{d_1+1} \{x_1, x_2\}^{d-d_1-2}, \dots, x_1^{d_1} x_3^{d-1}).$$

One can easily prove by induction on  $1 \leq j \leq d - d_1$  that

$$J_{d_1+d-1+j} = Shad(J_{d_1+d-2+j}) \cup \{x_3^{d_1-2+2j} x_2^{d-d_1-j+1} \{x_1, x_2\}^{d_1-1}\} = \\ = \{\{x_1, x_2\}^{d_1+d-2+j}, x_3 \{x_1, x_2\}^{d_1+d-3+j}, \dots, x_3^{d_1-2+2j} \{x_1, x_2\}^{d-j}, \\ x_1^{d_1} x_3^{d_1-1+2j} \{x_1, x_2\}^{d-d_1-j-1}, \dots, x_1^{d_1} x_3^{d-2+j}\}$$

the case  $j = 1$  being already done and then, the induction step being similar. In particular,  $J_{2d-2} = \{\{x_1, x_2\}^{2d-2}, x_3 \{x_1, x_2\}^{2d-3}, \dots, x_3^{2d-d_1-2} \{x_1, x_2\}^{d_1}\}.$

We have  $|J_{2d-1}| - |Shad(J_{2d-2})| = d_1$  so we must add  $d_1$  new generators to  $Shad(J_{2d-2})$  in order to obtain  $J_{2d-1}$ . Since  $J$  is strongly stable and  $x_3$  is a strong Lefschetz element for  $S/J$ , these new monomials are  $x_3^{2d-d_1} \{x_1, x_2\}^{d_1-1}$  so

$$J_{2d-1} = \{\{x_1, x_2\}^{2d-1}, x_3 \{x_1, x_2\}^{2d-2}, \dots, x_3^{2d-d_1} \{x_1, x_2\}^{d_1-1}\}.$$

One can easily show by induction on  $1 \leq j \leq d_1$  that

$$J_{2d-2+j} = Shad(J_{2d-3+j}) \cup \{x_3^{2d-d_1-2+2j} \{x_1, x_2\}^{d_1-j}\} = \\ = \{\{x_1, x_2\}^{2d-2+j}, \dots, x_3^{2d-d_1-2+2j} \{x_1, x_2\}^{d_1-j}\}.$$

Finally, we obtain  $J_{d_1+2d-2} = S_{d_1+2d-2}$  and therefore we cannot add new minimal generators of  $J$  in degrees  $> d_1 + 2d - 2$ .  $\square$

**Corollary 2.3.14.** *In the conditions of the above proposition, the number of minimal generators of  $J$  is  $d_1(d+1) - \left(\frac{d_1}{2}\right)^2 + 1$  if  $d$  is even;  $d_1(d+1) - \frac{d_1^2-1}{4} + 1$  if  $d$  is odd.*

**Example 2.3.15.** *If  $d_1 = 4$ ,  $d_2 = d_3 = 6$ , then  $J = (x_1^4, x_1^3 x_2^3, x_1^2 x_2^4, x_2^7, x_3 x_2^6, x_3^2 x_1 x_2^5, x_3^2 x_2^6, x_3^4 x_2^2 \{x_1, x_2\}^3, x_3^6 x_2 \{x_1, x_2\}^3, x_3^8 \{x_1, x_2\}^3, x_3^{10} \{x_1, x_2\}^2, x_3^{12} \{x_1, x_2\}, x_3^{14})$ .*

*If  $d_1 = 3$  and  $d_2 = d_3 = 6$ , then:  $J = (x_1^3, x_1^2 x_2^4, x_1 x_2^5, x_1 x_2^6, x_2^7, x_3^3 x_2^3 \{x_1, x_2\}^2, x_3^5 x_2^2 \{x_1, x_2\}^2, x_3^7 x_2 \{x_1, x_2\}^2, x_3^9 \{x_1, x_2\}^2, x_3^{11} \{x_1, x_2\}, x_3^{11})$ .*

- Subcase  $d_1 < d_2 < d_3$ .

**Proposition 2.3.16.** Let  $2 \leq d_1 < d_2 < d_3$  be positive integers such that  $d_1 + d_2 > d_3 + 1$ . The Hilbert function of the standard graded complete intersection  $A = K[x_1, x_2, x_3]/I$ , where  $I$  is the ideal generated by  $f_1, f_2, f_3$ , with  $f_i$  homogeneous polynomials of degree  $d_i$ , for all  $i$ , with  $1 \leq i \leq 3$ , has the form:

1.  $H(A, k) = \binom{k+2}{k}$ , for  $k \leq d_1 - 2$ .
2.  $H(A, k) = \binom{d_1+1}{2} + jd_1$ , for  $k = j + d_1 - 1$ , where  $0 \leq j \leq d_2 - d_1$ .
3.  $H(A, k) = \binom{d_1+1}{2} + d_1(d_2 - d_1) + \sum_{i=1}^j (d_1 - i)$ , for  $k = j + d_2 - 1$ , where  $0 \leq k \leq d_3 - d_2$ .
4.  $H(A, k) = \binom{d_1+1}{2} + d_1(d_2 - d_1) + \sum_{i=1}^{d_3-1} (d_1 - j) + \sum_{i=1}^j (d_1 + d_2 - d_3 - 2i)$ , for  $k = j + d_3 - 1$ , where  $0 \leq j \leq \lfloor \frac{d_1 + d_2 - d_3 - 1}{2} \rfloor$ .
5.  $H(A, k) = H(A, d_1 + d_2 + d_3 - 3 - k)$  for  $k > d_3 - 1 + \lfloor \frac{d_1 + d_2 - d_3 - 1}{2} \rfloor$ .

*Proof.* It follows from [31, Lemma 2.9(b)]. □

**Corollary 2.3.17.** In the conditions of Proposition 2.3.16, let  $J = \text{Gen}(I)$  be the generic initial ideal of  $I$  with respect to the reverse lexicographic order. If we denote by  $J_k$  the set of monomials of  $J$  of degree  $k$ , then:

1.  $|J_k| = 0$ , for  $k \leq d_1 - 1$ .
2.  $|J_k| = j(j+1)/2$ , for  $k = j + d_1 - 1$ , where  $0 \leq j \leq d_2 - d_1$ .
3.  $|J_k| = d_2(d_2 - 1) + j(d_2 - d_1) + j(j+1)$ , for  $k = j + d_2 - 1$ , where  $0 \leq j \leq d_3 - d_2$ .
4.  $|J_k| = |J_{d_3-1}| + j(2d_3 - d_1 - d_2) + \frac{3j(j+1)}{2}$ , for  $k = j + d_3 - 1$ , where  $0 \leq j \leq \lfloor \frac{\alpha-1}{2} \rfloor$ .
5. If  $d_1 + d_2 + d_3$  is even then  $|J_k| = |J_{\frac{d_1+d_2+d_3-4}{2}}| + \frac{(j+1)(d_1+d_2+d_3)}{2} + \frac{3j(j+1)}{2}$ , for  $k = j + \frac{d_1+d_2+d_3-2}{2}$ , where  $0 \leq j \leq \frac{d_1+d_2+d_3-2}{2}$ .  
If  $d_1 + d_2 + d_3$  is odd then  $|J_k| = |J_{\frac{d_1+d_2+d_3-3}{2}}| + \frac{j(d_1+d_2+d_3)}{2} + \frac{3j^2}{2}$ , for  $k = j + \frac{d_1+d_2+d_3-3}{2}$ , where  $0 \leq j \leq \frac{d_1+d_2+d_3-1}{2}$ .
6.  $|J_k| = |J_{d_1+d_2-2}| + j(2d_1 + 2d_2 - d_3 - 1) + j^2$ , for  $k = j + d_1 + d_2 - 2$ , where  $0 \leq d_3 - d_2$ .
7.  $|J_k| = |J_{d_1+d_3-2}| + j(2d_1 + d_3 - 1) + \frac{j(j+1)}{2}$ , for  $k = j + d_1 + d_3 - 2$ , where  $0 \leq j \leq d_2 - d_1$ .
8.  $|J_k| = |J_{d_2+d_3-1}| + j(d_1 + d_2 + d_3)$ , for  $k = j + d_1 + d_3 - 2$ , where  $0 \leq j \leq d_1 - 1$ .
9.  $J_k = S_k$ , for  $k \geq 3d - 2$ .

**Proposition 2.3.18.** Let  $2 \leq d_1 < d_2 < d_3$  be positive integers such that  $d_1 + d_2 > d_3 + 1$ . Let  $f_1, f_2, f_3 \in K[x_1, x_2, x_3]$  be a regular sequence of homogeneous polynomials of degrees  $d_1, d_2, d_3$ . Let  $\alpha = d_1 + d_2 - d_3$ . Let  $I = (f_1, f_2, f_3)$ ,  $J = \text{Gin}(I)$ , the generic initial ideal with respect to the reverse lexicographic order, and suppose  $S/I$  has (SLP). If  $\alpha$  is even, then:

$$\begin{aligned} J = & (x_1^{d_1}, x_1^{d_1-1}x_2^{d_2-d_1+1}, x_1^{d_1-2}x_2^{d_2-d_1+3}, \dots, x_1^{d_1+d_2-d_3}x_2^{2d_3-d_1-d_2-1}, \\ & x_1^{d_1+d_2-d_3-2j}x_2^{2d_3-d_1-d_2+3j-1}, x_1^{d_1+d_2-d_3-2j+1}x_2^{2d_3-d_1-d_2+3j-2} \text{ for } j = 1, \dots, \frac{\alpha-2}{2}, \\ & x_2^{\frac{d_1+d_2+d_3-2}{2}}, x_1x_2^{\frac{d_1+d_2+d_3-4}{2}}, x_3^{2j}x_2^{\frac{d_1+d_2+d_3}{2}-3j} \{x_1, x_2\}^{2j-1} \text{ for } j = 1, \dots, \frac{\alpha-2}{2}, \\ & x_1^{d_1+d_2-d_3+j-2}x_2^{2d_3-d_1-d_2-2j+2}x_3^{d_1+d_2-d_3+2j-2}, \dots, x_2^{d_3-j}x_3^{d_1+d_2-d_3+2j-2} \text{ for } j = 1, \dots, d_3 - d_2, \\ & x_1^{d_1-1}x_3^{d_1+d_3-d_2+2j-2}x_2^{d_2-d_1-j+1}, \dots, x_3^{d_1+d_3-d_2+2j-2}x_2^{d_2-j} \text{ for } j = 1, \dots, d_2 - d_1, \\ & \{x_1, x_2\}^{d_1-j}x_3^{d_2+d_3-d_1-2+2j} \text{ for } j = 1, \dots, d_1). \end{aligned}$$

Otherwise, if  $\alpha$  is odd, then:

$$\begin{aligned} J = & (x_1^{d_1}, x_1^{d_1-1}x_2^{d_2-d_1+1}, x_1^{d_1-2}x_2^{d_2-d_1+3}, \dots, x_1^{d_1+d_2-d_3}x_2^{2d_3-d_1-d_2-1}, \\ & x_1^{d_1+d_2-d_3-2j}x_2^{2d_3-d_1-d_2+3j-1}, x_1^{d_1+d_2-d_3-2j+1}x_2^{2d_3-d_1-d_2+3j-2}, j = 1, \dots, \frac{\alpha-1}{2}, \\ & x_2^{\frac{d_1+d_2+d_3-1}{2}}, x_3x_2^{\frac{d_1+d_2+d_3-3}{2}}, x_1^{2j}x_3^{2j+1}x_2^{\frac{d_1+d_2+d_3-3}{2}-3j}, \dots, x_3^{2j+1}x_2^{\frac{d_1+d_2+d_3-3}{2}-j}, j = 1, \dots, \frac{\alpha-3}{2}, \\ & x_1^{d_1+d_2-d_3+j-2}x_2^{2d_3-d_1-d_2-2j+2}x_3^{d_1+d_2-d_3+2j-2}, \dots, x_2^{d_3-j}x_3^{d_1+d_2-d_3+2j-2} \text{ for } j = 1, \dots, d_3 - d_2, \\ & x_1^{d_1-1}x_3^{d_1+d_3-d_2+2j-2}x_2^{d_2-d_1-j+1}, \dots, x_3^{d_1+d_3-d_2+2j-2}x_2^{d_2-j} \text{ for } j = 1, \dots, d_2 - d_1, \\ & \{x_1, x_2\}^{d_1-j}x_3^{d_2+d_3-d_1-2+2j} \text{ for } j = 1, \dots, d_1). \end{aligned}$$

*Proof.* We have  $|J_{d_1}| = 1$ , hence  $J_{d_1} = \{x_1^{d_1}\}$ , since  $J$  is strongly stable. Therefore:

$$\text{Shad}(J_{d_1}) = \{x_1^{d_1}\{x_1, x_2\}, x_1^{d_1}x_3\}.$$

Assume  $d_2 > d_1 + 1$ . Using the formulas from 2.3.17 we get  $|J_{d_1+1}| - |\text{Shad}(J_{d_1})| = 0$ , therefore

$$J_{d_1+1} = \text{Shad}(J_{d_1}) = \{x_1^{d_1}\{x_1, x_2\}, x_1^{d_1}x_3\}.$$

Using induction on  $1 \leq j \leq d_2 - d_1 - 1$  we prove that

$$J_{d_1+j} = \text{Shad}(J_{d_1+j-1}) = \{x_1^{d_1}\{x_1, x_2\}^j, \dots, x_3^j x_1^{d_1}\}.$$

Indeed, this assertion was already proved for  $j = 1$ , and if we suppose that is true for some  $j < d_2 - d_1 - 1$  we get  $|J_{d_1+j+1}| = |\text{Shad}(J_{d_1+j})|$  so we are done. In particular, we obtain  $J_{d_2-1} = \{x_1^{d_1}\{x_1, x_2\}^{d_2-d_1-1}, x_3x_1^{d_1}\{x_1, x_2\}^{d_2-d_1-2}, \dots, x_3^{d_2-d_1-1}x_1^{d_1}\}.$

We have  $|J_{d_2}| - |Shad(J_{d_2-1})| = 1$  so we must add a new generator to  $Shad(J_{d_2-1})$  in order to obtain  $J_{d_2}$ . But since  $J$  is strongly stable and  $x_3$  is a strong Lefschetz element for  $S/J$ , this new generator is  $x_1^{d_1-1}x_2^{d_2-d_1+1}$  and therefore  $J_{d_2} = \{x_1^{d_1-1}\{x_1, x_2\}^{d_2-d_1+1}, x_3x_1^{d_1}\{x_1, x_2\}^{d_2-d_1-1}, \dots, x_3^{d_2}x_1^{d_1-1}\{x_1, x_2\}^{d_2-d_1-1}\}$ .

We show by induction on  $1 \leq j \leq d_3 - d_2$  that

$$\begin{aligned} J_{d_2-1+j} &= Shad(J_{d_2-2+j}) \cup \{x_1^{d_1-j}x_2^{d_2-d_1+2j-1}\} = \\ &= \{x_1^{d_1-j}\{x_1, x_2\}^{d_2-d_1+2j-1}, \dots, x_3^jx_1^{d_1}\{x_1, x_2\}^{d_2-d_1-1}, \dots, x_3^{d_2-d_1+j-1}x_1^{d_1}\}. \end{aligned}$$

The first step of induction was already done. Suppose the assertion is true for some  $j < d_3 - d_2$ . Since  $|J_{d_2+j}| - |Shad(J_{d_2-1+j})| = 1$  and  $J$  is strongly stable and  $x_3$  is a strong Lefschetz element for  $S/J$ , we add  $x_1^{d_1-j-1}x_2^{d_2-d_1+2j+1}$  to  $Shad(J_{d_2-1+j})$  in order to obtain  $J_{d_2+j}$ . Thus, we are done. In particular, we get

$$\begin{aligned} J_{d_3-1} &= \{x_1^{d_1+d_2-d_3}\{x_1, x_2\}^{2d_3-d_1-d_2-1}, x_3x_1^{d_1+d_2-d_3+1}\{x_1, x_2\}^{2d_3-d_1-d_2-3}, \dots, \\ &\quad x_3^{d_3-d_2}x_1^{d_1}\{x_1, x_2\}^{d_2-d_1-1}, \dots, x_3^{d_3-d_1-1}x_1^{d_1}\}. \end{aligned}$$

We consider first  $\alpha = 2$ , i.e.  $d_3 = d_1 + d_2 - 2$ . In this case, since  $|J_{d_3}| - |Shad(J_{d_3-1})| = 2$  we add two new generators to  $Shad(J_{d_3-1})$  in order to obtain  $J_{d_3}$ . Since  $J$  is strongly stable and  $x_3$  is a strong Lefschetz element for  $S/J$ , these new generators are  $x_2^{d_3}$  and  $x_1x_2^{d_3-1}$ .

Suppose now  $\alpha \geq 2$ . We have  $|J_{d_3}| - |Shad(J_{d_3-1})| = 2$  so we must add two new generators to  $Shad(J_{d_3-1})$  to obtain  $J_{d_3}$ . Since  $J$  is strongly stable and  $x_3$  is a strong Lefschetz element for  $S/J$ , these new generators are  $x_1^{d_1+d_2-d_3-2}x_2^{2d_3-d_1-d_2+2}$  and  $x_1^{d_1+d_2-d_3-1}x_2^{2d_3-d_1-d_2+1}$ , therefore

$$\begin{aligned} J_{d_3} &= \{x_1^{d_1+d_2-d_3-2}\{x_1, x_2\}^{2d_3-d_1-d_2+2}, x_3x_1^{d_1+d_2-d_3}\{x_1, x_2\}^{2d_3-d_1-d_2-1}, \\ &\quad x_3^2x_1^{d_1+d_2-d_3+1}\{x_1, x_2\}^{2d_3-d_1-d_2-3}, \dots, x_3^{d_3-d_2}x_1^{d_1}\{x_1, x_2\}^{d_2-d_1}, \dots, x_3^{d_3-d_1}x_1^{d_1}\}. \end{aligned}$$

One can prove by induction on  $1 \leq j \leq \lfloor \frac{\alpha-1}{2} \rfloor$  that  $J_{d_3-1+j}$  is the set

$$\begin{aligned} &Shad(J_{d_3-2+j}) \cup \{x_1^{d_1+d_2-d_3-2j}x_2^{2d_3-d_1-d_2+3j-1}, x_1^{d_1+d_2-d_3-2j+1}x_2^{2d_3-d_1-d_2+3j-2}\} = \\ &\{x_1^{d_1+d_2-d_3-2j}\{x_1, x_2\}^{2d_3-d_1-d_2+3j-1}, \dots, x_1^{d_1+d_2-d_3-2}x_3^{j-1}\{x_1, x_2\}^{2d_3-d_1-d_2+2}, x_3^jJ_{d_3-1}\}. \end{aligned}$$

Indeed, the assertion was proved for  $j = 1$  and the induction step is similar. In the following, we must consider two possibilities:  $\alpha$  is even or  $\alpha$  is odd. Suppose first  $\alpha$  is even. We obtain that  $J_{\frac{d_1+d_2+d_3-4}{2}}$  is the set

$$\{x_1^2\{x_1, x_2\}^{\frac{d_1+d_2+d_3-8}{2}}, \dots, x_1^{d_1+d_2-d_3-2}x_3^{\frac{d_1+d_2-d_3-4}{2}}\{x_1, x_2\}^{2d_3-d_1-d_2+2}, x_3^{\frac{d_1+d_2-d_3-2}{2}}J_{d_3-1}\}.$$

We have  $|J_{\frac{d_1+d_2+d_3-2}{2}}| - |Shad(J_{\frac{d_1+d_2+d_3-4}{2}})| = 2$  so we must add two generators to  $Shad(J_{\frac{d_1+d_2+d_3-4}{2}})$  and, since  $J$  is strongly stable and  $x_3$  is a strong Lefschetz element for  $S/J$ , these new generators are  $x_2^{\frac{d_1+d_2+d_3-2}{2}}$  and  $x_1x_2^{\frac{d_1+d_2+d_3-4}{2}}$ . Therefore

$$J_{\frac{d_1+d_2+d_3-2}{2}} = \{\{x_1, x_2\}^{\frac{d_1+d_2+d_3-2}{2}}, x_1^2x_3\{x_1, x_2\}^{\frac{d_1+d_2+d_3-8}{2}}, \dots,$$

$$x_1^{d_1+d_2-d_3-2} x_3^{\frac{d_1+d_2-d_3-2}{2}} \{x_1, x_2\}^{2d_3-d_1-d_2+2}, x_3^{\frac{d_1+d_2-d_3}{2}} J_{d_3-1}\}.$$

One can easily prove by induction on  $1 \leq j \leq \frac{\alpha-4}{2}$  that  $J_{\frac{d_1+d_2+d_3-2}{2}+j}$  is the set

$$\begin{aligned} &= \text{Shad}(J_{\frac{d_1+d_2+d_3-4}{2}+j}) \cup \{x_3^{2j} x_1^{2j-1} x_2^{\frac{d_1+d_2+d_3-2}{2}-3j}, \dots, x_3^{2j} x_2^{\frac{d_1+d_2+d_3-2}{2}-j}\} = \\ &\{\{x_1, x_2\}^{\frac{d_1+d_2+d_3-2}{2}+j}, \dots, x_3^{2j} \{x_1, x_2\}^{\frac{d_1+d_2+d_3-2}{2}-j}, x_1^{2j+2} x_3^{2j+1} \{x_1, x_2\}^{\frac{d_1+d_2+d_3-8}{2}-3j}, \dots, \\ &x_1^{d_1+d_2-d_3-2} x_3^{\frac{d_1+d_2-d_3-2}{2}+j} \{x_1, x_2\}^{2d_3-d_1-d_2+2}, x_3^{\frac{d_1+d_2-d_3}{2}+j} J_{d_3-1}\}. \end{aligned}$$

Suppose now  $\alpha$  is odd. We have that  $J_{\frac{d_1+d_2+d_3-3}{2}}$  is the set

$$\{x_1 \{x_1, x_2\}^{\frac{d_1+d_2+d_3-5}{2}}, \dots, x_1^{d_1+d_2-d_3-2} x_3^{\frac{d_1+d_2-d_3-3}{2}} \{x_1, x_2\}^{2d_3-d_1-d_2+2}, x_3^{\frac{d_1+d_2-d_3-1}{2}} J_{d_3-1}\}.$$

We have  $|J_{\frac{d_1+d_2+d_3-1}{2}}| - |\text{Shad}(J_{\frac{d_1+d_2+d_3-3}{2}})| = 2$  so we must add two new generators to  $\text{Shad}(J_{\frac{d_1+d_2+d_3-3}{2}})$  in order to obtain  $J_{\frac{d_1+d_2+d_3-1}{2}}$ . Since  $J$  is strongly stable and  $x_3$  is a strong Lefschetz element for  $S/J$ , these new generators are  $x_2^{\frac{d_1+d_2+d_3-1}{2}}$  and  $x_3 x_2^{\frac{d_1+d_2+d_3-3}{2}}$ . Therefore

$$\begin{aligned} J_{\frac{d_1+d_2+d_3-1}{2}} &= \{\{x_1, x_2\}^{\frac{d_1+d_2+d_3-1}{2}}, x_3 \{x_1, x_2\}^{\frac{d_1+d_2+d_3-3}{2}}, x_1^3 x_3^2 \{x_1, x_2\}^{\frac{d_1+d_2+d_3-11}{2}}, \dots, \\ &x_1^{d_1+d_2-d_3-2} x_3^{\frac{d_1+d_2-d_3-1}{2}} \{x_1, x_2\}^{2d_3-d_1-d_2+2}, x_3^{\frac{d_1+d_2-d_3+1}{2}} J_{d_3-1}\}. \end{aligned}$$

One can easily prove by induction on  $1 \leq j \leq \frac{\alpha-3}{2}$  that

$$J_{\frac{d_1+d_2+d_3-1}{2}+j} = \text{Shad}(J_{\frac{d_1+d_2+d_3-3}{2}+j}) \cup \{x_1^{2j} x_3^{2j+1} x_2^{\frac{d_1+d_2+d_3-3}{2}-3j}, \dots, x_3^{2j+1} x_2^{\frac{d_1+d_2+d_3-3}{2}-j}\}.$$

For  $j = 1$ , we notice that  $|J_{\frac{d_1+d_2+d_3+1}{2}}| - |\text{Shad}(J_{\frac{d_1+d_2+d_3-1}{2}})| = 3$  so we must add 3 new monomials to  $\text{Shad}(J_{\frac{d_1+d_2+d_3-1}{2}})$  in order to obtain  $J_{\frac{d_1+d_2+d_3+1}{2}}$ . But, since  $J$  is strongly stable and  $x_3$  is a strong Lefschetz element for  $S/J$ , they are exactly  $x_1^2 x_3^3 x_2^{\frac{d_1+d_2+d_3-3}{2}-3}$ ,  $x_1 x_3^3 x_2^{\frac{d_1+d_2+d_3-3}{2}-2}$  and  $x_3^3 x_2^{\frac{d_1+d_2+d_3-3}{2}-1}$ , as required. The induction step is similar.

In all cases, we obtain that  $J_{d_1+d_2-2}$  is the set

$$\{\{x_1, x_2\}^{d_1+d_2-2}, x_3 \{x_1, x_2\}^{d_1+d_2-3}, \dots, x_3^{d_1+d_2-d_3-2} \{x_1, x_2\}^{d_3}, x_3^{d_1+d_2-d_3-1} J_{d_3-1}\}.$$

We have  $|J_{d_1+d_2-1}| - |\text{Shad}(J_{d_1+d_2-2})| = \alpha$ , so we must add  $\alpha$  new generators to obtain  $J_{d_1+d_2-1}$ . Since  $J$  is strongly stable and  $x_3$  is a strong Lefschetz element for  $S/J$ , they are  $x_1^{d_1+d_2-d_3-1} x_2^{2d_3-d_1-d_2} x_3^{d_1+d_2-d_3}, \dots, x_2^{d_3-1} x_3^{d_1+d_2-d_3}$ , therefore  $J_{d_1+d_2-1}$  is the set

$$\begin{aligned} &\{\{x_1, x_2\}^{d_1+d_2-1}, \dots, x_3^{d_1+d_2-d_3} \{x_1, x_2\}^{d_3-1}, x_3^{d_1+d_2-d_3+1} x_1^{d_1+d_2-d_3+1} \{x_1, x_2\}^{2d_3-d_1-d_2-3}, \\ &\dots, x_3^{d_1} x_1^{d_1} \{x_1, x_2\}^{d_2-d_1-1}, x_1^{d_1} x_3^{d_1+1} \{x_1, x_2\}^{d_2-d_1-2}, \dots, x_1^{d_1} x_3^{d_2-1}\}. \end{aligned}$$

One can easily prove by induction on  $1 \leq j \leq d_3 - d_2$  that  $J_{d_1+d_2-1+j}$  is the set

$$\text{Shad}(J_{d_1+d_2-2+j}) \cup \{x_1^{d_1+d_2-d_3+j-1} x_2^{2d_3-d_1-d_2-2j} x_3^{d_1+d_2-d_3+2j}, \dots, x_2^{d_3-1-j} x_3^{d_1+d_2-d_3+2j}\}$$

Indeed, the case  $j = 1$  was already done and the induction step is similar. In particular, we get

$$J_{d_1+d_3-2} = \{\{x_1, x_2\}^{d_1+d_3-2}, x_3\{x_1, x_2\}^{d_1+d_3-3}, \dots, x_3^{d_1+d_3-d_2-2}\{x_1, x_2\}^{d_2}, \\ x_1^{d_1} x_3^{d_1+d_3-d_2-1}\{x_1, x_2\}^{d_2-d_1-1}, \dots, x_1^{d_1} x_3^{d_3-2}\}.$$

Since  $|J_{d_1+d_3-1}| - |\text{Shad}(J_{d_1+d_3-2})| = d_1$  we must add  $d_1$  generators to  $\text{Shad}(J_{d_1+d_3-2})$  in order to obtain  $J_{d_1+d_3-1}$ . Since  $J$  is strongly stable and  $x_3$  is a strong Lefschetz element for  $S/J$ , these new generators are  $x_1^{d_1-1} x_3^{d_1+d_3-d_2} x_2^{d_2-d_1}, \dots, x_3^{d_1+d_3-d_2} x_2^{d_2-1}$ , so  $J_{d_1+d_3-1}$  is the set

$$\{\{x_1, x_2\}^{d_1+d_3-1}, \dots, x_3^{d_1+d_3-d_2}\{x_1, x_2\}^{d_2-1}, x_1^{d_1} x_3^{d_1+d_3-d_2+1}\{x_1, x_2\}^{d_2-d_1-2}, \dots, x_1^{d_1} x_3^{d_3-1}\}.$$

We prove by induction on  $1 \leq j \leq d_2 - d_1$  that  $J_{d_1+d_3-2+j}$  is the set

$$\text{Shad}(J_{d_1+d_3-3+j}) \cup \{x_1^{d_1-1} x_3^{d_1+d_3-d_2+2j-2} x_2^{d_2-d_1-j+1}, \dots, x_3^{d_1+d_3-d_2+2j-2} x_2^{d_2-j}\}.$$

Indeed, we already proved this for  $j = 1$  and the induction step is similar. We get

$$J_{d_2+d_3-2} = \{\{x_1, x_2\}^{d_1+d_3-2}, x_3\{x_1, x_2\}^{d_1+d_3-3}, \dots, x_3^{d_3+d_2-d_1-2}\{x_1, x_2\}^{d_1}\}.$$

One can easily prove by induction on  $1 \leq j \leq d_1$  that

$$J_{d_2+d_3-2+j} = \text{Shad}(J_{d_2+d_3-3+j}) \cup \{x_3^{d_2+d_3-d_1-2+2j}\{x_1, x_2\}^{d_1-j}\} = \\ = \{\{x_1, x_2\}^{d_2+d_3-2+j}, \dots, x_3^{d_2+d_3-d_1-2+2j}\{x_1, x_2\}^{d_1-j}\}.$$

Finally, we obtain  $J_{d_1+d_2+d_3-2} = S_{d_1+d_2+d_3-2}$  and therefore we cannot add new minimal generators of  $J$  in degrees  $> d_1 + d_2 + d_3 - 2$ .  $\square$

**Corollary 2.3.19.** *In the above conditions of the above proposition, the number of minimal generators of  $J$  is  $d_1(d_2 + 1) - \left(\frac{\alpha}{2}\right)^2 + 1$  if  $\alpha$  is even or  $d_1(d_2 + 1) - \frac{\alpha^2-1}{4} + 1$  if  $\alpha$  is odd.*

**Example 2.3.20.** 1. Let  $d_1 = 3$ ,  $d_2 = 5$  and  $d_3 = 6$ . Then

$$J = (x_1^3, x_1^2 x_2^3, x_1 x_2^5, x_2^6, x_2^4 x_3^2 \{x_1, x_2\}, x_2^2 x_3^4 \{x_1, x_2\}^2, \\ x_2 x_3^6 \{x_1, x_2\}^2, x_3^8 \{x_1, x_2\}^2, x_3^{10} \{x_1, x_2\}, x_3^{12}).$$

2. Let  $d_1 = 4$ ,  $d_2 = 5$  and  $d_3 = 6$ . Then

$$J = (x_1^4, x_1^3 x_2^2, x_1^2 x_2^4, x_1 x_2^5, x_2^7, x_3 x_2^6, x_2^3 x_3^3 \{x_1, x_2\}^2, \\ x_2 x_3^5 \{x_1, x_2\}^3, x_3^7 \{x_1, x_2\}^3, x_3^9 \{x_1, x_2\}^2, x_3^{11} \{x_1, x_2\}, x_3^{13}).$$

**Remark 2.3.21.** If  $f_1, f_2, f_3 \in S = K[x_1, x_2, x_3]$  is a regular sequence of homogeneous polynomials of given degrees  $d_1, d_2, d_3$  such that  $S/(f_1, f_2, f_3)$  has (SLP), then the number of minimal generators of  $J = \text{Gin}((f_1, f_2, f_3))$ ,  $\mu(J) \leq d_1(d_2+1)+1$ . This follows immediately from 2.2.4, 2.2.9, 2.3.4, 2.3.9, 2.3.14 and 2.3.19.

**Remark 2.3.22.** Let  $f_1, f_2, f_3 \in S = K[x_1, x_2, x_3]$  be a regular sequence of homogeneous polynomials of given degrees  $d_1, d_2, d_3$  such that  $S/I$  has (SLP), where  $I = (f_1, f_2, f_3)$ . Let  $J = \text{Gin}(I)$ . One can compute the socle of  $S/J$ , as follows. Since  $J$  is (strongly) stable,  $(J : (x_1, x_2, x_3)) = (J : x_3)$ . Indeed, if  $u \in (J : x_3)$ , then  $x_3u \in J$  and since  $J$  is stable,  $x_1(x_3u)/x_3 = x_1u \in J$  and also  $x_2(x_3u)/x_3 = x_2u \in J$ , thus  $u \in (J : (x_1, x_2, x_3))$ .

On the other hand, for example, when  $d_1 + d_2 \leq d_3 + 1$  and  $d_1 = d_2 < d_3$ , Proposition 2.2.3 implies  $(J : x_3) = J + T$ , where

$$T = (x_2^{2d-2j-2} x_3^{d_3-2d+2j+1} \{x_1, x_2\}^j, 0 \leq j \leq d-2, x_3^{d_3+2j-3} \{x_1, x_2\}^{d-j}, 1 \leq j \leq d).$$

One can check that none of the minimal generators of  $T$  is in  $J$ . Therefore, the set of the minimal generators of  $T$  form a base for  $\text{Soc}(S/J)$ .

The other cases are similar, and the reader can easily compute the socle of  $S/J$  for any integers  $d_1, d_2, d_3 \geq 2$ .

## 2.4 Generic initial ideal for $(n, d)$ -complete intersections.

Let  $K$  be an algebraically closed field of characteristic zero. Let  $S = K[x_1, \dots, x_n]$  be the polynomial ring in  $n$  variables over  $K$ . Let  $n, d \geq 2$  be two integers. We consider  $I = (f_1, \dots, f_n) \subset S$  an ideal generated by a regular sequence  $f_1, \dots, f_n \in S$  of homogeneous polynomials of degree  $d$ . We say that  $A = S/I$  is a  $(n, d)$ -complete intersection. Let  $J = \text{Gin}(I)$  be the generic initial of  $I$ , with respect to the reverse lexicographic (revlex) order (see [18, §15.9], for details).

We say that a property  $(P)$  holds for a generic sequence of homogeneous polynomials  $f_1, f_2, \dots, f_n \in S$  of given degrees  $d_1, d_2, \dots, d_n$  if there exists a nonempty open Zariski subset  $U \subset S_{d_1} \times S_{d_2} \times \dots \times S_{d_n}$  such that for every  $n$ -tuple  $(f_1, f_2, \dots, f_n) \in U$  the property  $(P)$  holds.

For any nonnegative integer  $k$ , we denote by  $J_k$  the set of monomials of  $J$  of degree  $k$ . Conca and Sidman proved that  $J_d$  is revlex if  $f_1, \dots, f_n$  is a generic regular sequence, (see [16, Theorem 1.2]). We will prove that  $J_d$  is a revlex set in another case, namely, when  $f_i \in k[x_i, \dots, x_n]$ . It is likely to be true that  $J_d$  is revlex for any complete intersection, but we do not have the means to prove this assertion.

Let  $I = (f_1, \dots, f_n) \subset S = K[x_1, \dots, x_n]$  be an ideal generated by a regular sequence  $f_1, \dots, f_n \in S$  of homogeneous polynomials of degree  $d$ . Let  $J = \text{Gin}(I)$  be the generic initial ideal of  $I$ , with respect to the revlex order. It is well known that the Hilbert series of  $S/J$  is the same as the Hilbert series of  $S/I$  and moreover,  $H(S/J, t) = H(S/I, t) = (1 + t + \dots + t^{d-1})^n$ . More precisely, we have:



**Proposition 2.4.1.** 1.  $H(S/J, k) = \binom{k+n-1}{n-1}$ , for  $0 \leq k \leq d-1$ .

2.  $H(S/J, k) = \binom{k+n-1}{n-1} - n \binom{j+n-1}{n-1}$ , for  $d \leq k \leq \left\lfloor \frac{n(d-1)}{2} \right\rfloor$  and  $j = k - d$ .

3.  $H(S/J, k) = H(S/J, n(d-1) - k)$ , for  $k \geq \left\lceil \frac{n(d-1)}{2} \right\rceil$ .

*Proof.* Use induction on  $n$ . Denote  $H_n(t) = (1 + t + \cdots + t^{d-1})^n$ . The case  $n = 1$  is trivial. The induction step follows from the equality  $H_n(t) = H_{n-1}(t)(1 + t + \cdots + t^{d-1})$ .  $\square$

**Corollary 2.4.2.** 1.  $|J_k| = 0$ , for  $k \leq d-1$ .

2.  $|J_k| = n \binom{j+n-1}{n-1}$ , for  $d \leq k \leq \left\lfloor \frac{n(d-1)}{2} \right\rfloor$  and  $j = k - d$ .

3.  $|J_k| = \binom{\left\lceil \frac{n(d-1)}{2} \right\rceil + j + n - 1}{n-1} - \binom{\left\lfloor \frac{n(d-1)}{2} \right\rfloor - j + n - 1}{n-1} + n \binom{\left\lfloor \frac{n(d-1)}{2} \right\rfloor - d - j - n}{n-1}$ , for  $\left\lceil \frac{n(d-1)}{2} \right\rceil \leq k \leq (n-1)(d-1) - 1$ , where  $j = k - \left\lceil \frac{n(d-1)}{2} \right\rceil$

4.  $|J_k| = \binom{(n-1)d+j}{n-1} - \binom{n-1+d-1-j}{n-1}$ , for  $(n-1)(d-1) \leq k \leq n(d-1)$ , where  $j = k - (n-1)(d-1)$ .

*Proof.* Using  $|J_k| = |S_k| - H(S/J, k)$  the proof follows from 2.4.1.  $\square$

Suppose  $f_i = \sum_{k=1}^N b_{ik} u_k$  for  $1 \leq i \leq n$  where  $u_1, u_2, \dots, u_N \in S$  are all the monomials of degree  $d$  decreasing ordered in revlex and  $N = \binom{d+n-1}{n-1}$ . We denote  $u_k = x^{\alpha_k}$ . For example,  $\alpha_1 = (d, 0, \dots, 0)$ ,  $\alpha_2 = (d-1, 1, 0, \dots, 0)$  etc.

We take a generic transformation of coordinates  $x_i \mapsto \sum_{j=1}^n c_{ij} x_j$  for  $i = 1, \dots, n$ . Conca and Sidman proved in [6] that we may assume that  $c_{ij}$  are algebraically independents over  $K$ . More precisely, if we consider the field extension  $K \subset L = K(c_{ij} | i, j = \overline{1, n})$  and if we set

$$F_i = f_i \left( \sum_{j=1}^n c_{1j} x_j, \dots, \sum_{j=1}^n c_{nj} x_j \right) \in L[x_1, \dots, x_n], \quad i = 1, \dots, n$$

then  $J = \text{Gin}(I) = \text{in}(F_1, \dots, F_n) \cap S$ .

We write  $F_i = \sum_{j=1}^n a_{ij} u_j + \cdots$  the monomial decomposition of  $F_i$  in  $L[x_1, \dots, x_n]$ . With these notations, we have the following elementary lemma:

**Lemma 2.4.3.**  $J_d$  is revlex if and only if the following condition is fulfilled:

$$\Delta = \begin{vmatrix} a_{11} & \cdots & a_{1n} \\ \vdots & & \vdots \\ a_{n1} & \cdots & a_{nn} \end{vmatrix} \neq 0.$$

*Proof.* Suppose  $\Delta \neq 0$ . Since  $|J_d| = n$ , it is enough to show that  $u_1, \dots, u_n \in J$ . Let  $A = (a_{ij})_{\substack{i=1, \dots, n \\ j=1, \dots, n}}$ . Since  $\Delta = \det(A) \neq 0$ ,  $A$  is invertible and we have

$$A^{-1} \begin{pmatrix} F_1 \\ \vdots \\ F_n \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} H_1 \\ \vdots \\ H_n \end{pmatrix},$$

where  $H_i = u_i + \text{small terms in revlex order}$ . Therefore  $LM(H_i) = u_i \in J$ , for all  $1 \leq i \leq n$ , where  $LM(H_i)$  denotes the leading monomial of  $H_i$  in the revlex order.

Conversely, since  $u_1, \dots, u_n \in J_d$ , we can find some polynomials  $H_i \in L[x_1, \dots, x_n]$ , with  $LM(H_i) = u_i$ ,  $1 \leq i \leq n$ , as linear combination of  $F_i$ 's. If we denote  $H_i = \sum_{j=1}^n \tilde{a}_{ij} u_j$  and  $\tilde{A} = (\tilde{a}_{ij})_{i,j=1, \dots, n}$ , it follows that there exists a map  $\psi : L^n \rightarrow L^n$ , given by a matrix  $E = (e_{ij})_{i,j=1, \dots, n}$ , such that  $\tilde{A} = A \cdot E$ . Now, since  $\det(\tilde{A}) \neq 0$  it follows that  $\Delta = \det(A) \neq 0$ , as required.  $\square$

**Remark 2.4.4.** By the changing of variables  $\varphi$  given by  $x_i \mapsto \sum_{j=1}^n c_{ij} x_j$ ,  $x^{\alpha_k}$  became

$$m_k := \left( \sum_{j=1}^n c_{1j} x_j \right)^{\alpha_{k1}} \cdots \left( \sum_{j=1}^n c_{nj} x_j \right)^{\alpha_{kn}} = \left( \sum_{|t|=\alpha_{k1}} c_1^t x^t \right) \cdots \left( \sum_{|t|=\alpha_{kn}} c_n^t x^t \right),$$

where, for any multiindex  $t = (t_1, \dots, t_n)$  we denoted  $x^t = x_1^{t_1} \cdots x_n^{t_n}$  and  $c_i^t = c_{i1}^{t_1} \cdots c_{in}^{t_n}$ . Let  $g_{kl}$  be the coefficient in  $c_{ij}$ 's of  $x^{\alpha_l}$  in the monomial decomposition of  $m_k$ . Using the above writing of  $m_k$ , we claim that:

$$(1) \quad g_{kl} = \sum_{\substack{|t_1|=\alpha_{k1}, \dots, |t_n|=\alpha_{kn} \\ t_1 + \dots + t_n = \alpha_l}} \left[ \binom{\alpha_{k1}}{t_{11}} \cdots \binom{\alpha_{kn}}{t_{n1}} \right] \left[ \binom{\alpha_{k1}-t_{11}}{t_{12}} \cdots \binom{\alpha_{kn}-t_{n1}}{t_{n2}} \right] \cdots \\ \left[ \binom{\alpha_{k1}-t_{11}-\dots-t_{1n-1}}{t_{1n}} \cdots \binom{\alpha_{kn}-t_{n1}-\dots-t_{nn-1}}{t_{nn}} \right] \cdot c_1^{t_1} \cdots c_n^{t_n}.$$

Indeed, the monomial  $c_1^{t_1} \cdots c_n^{t_n}$  appear in the coefficient of  $x^{\alpha_l}$  in the expansion of  $m_k$  if and only if  $t_1 + \dots + t_n = \alpha_l$  and  $|t_1| = \alpha_{k1}, \dots, |t_n| = \alpha_{kn}$ . Moreover, by Newton binomial, the coefficient of  $x_1^{t_{11}} \cdots x_n^{t_{in}}$  in  $(\sum_{j=1}^n c_{ij} x_j)^{\alpha_{k1}}$  is  $\binom{\alpha_{k1}}{t_{i1}} \binom{\alpha_{k1}-t_{i1}}{t_{i2}} \cdots \binom{\alpha_{k1}-t_{i1}-\dots-t_{i,n-1}}{t_{in}} c_i^{t_i}$  for any  $1 \leq i \leq n$ , and thus we proved the claim.

Since  $a_{il} = \sum_{k=1}^N b_{ik} \cdot g_{kl}$ , from the Cauchy-Binet formula we get:

$$\Delta = \sum_{1 \leq k_1 < k_2 < \dots < k_n \leq N} B_{k_1, k_2, \dots, k_n} G_{k_1, k_2, \dots, k_n}, \text{ where}$$

$$B_{k_1, k_2, \dots, k_n} = \begin{vmatrix} b_{1k_1} & \cdots & b_{1k_n} \\ \vdots & & \vdots \\ b_{nk_1} & \cdots & b_{nk_n} \end{vmatrix} \text{ and } G_{k_1, k_2, \dots, k_n} = \begin{vmatrix} g_{k_1 1} & \cdots & g_{k_n 1} \\ \vdots & & \vdots \\ g_{k_1 n} & \cdots & g_{k_n n} \end{vmatrix}.$$

Now, we are able to prove the main result of our paper.

**Theorem 2.4.5.** *If  $f_i \in K[x_1, \dots, x_n]$  then  $J_d$  is revlex. In particular, if  $S/I$  is a monomial complete intersection, then  $J_d$  is revlex.*

*Proof.* Let  $k_i = \binom{i+d-1}{d}$ , for any  $i = 1, \dots, n$ . Then  $u_{k_i} = x_i^d$ . Recall our notation,  $u_k = x^{\alpha_k}$ . We have  $b_{11} \neq 0$ , otherwise  $I = (f_1, \dots, f_n) \subset (x_2, \dots, x_n)$  contradicting the fact that  $I$  is an Artinian ideal. Using a similar argument, we get  $b_{ik_i} \neq 0$  for all  $1 \leq i \leq n$ . Thus, multiplying each  $f_i$  with  $b_{ik_i}^{-1}$ , we may assume  $b_{ik_i} = 1$  for all  $1 \leq i \leq n$ . In other words,  $f_i = x_i^d + f'_i$ , where  $f'_i$  contains monomials smaller than  $x_i^d$  in the revlex order. Also, since  $f_i \in K[x_1, \dots, x_n]$  we have  $b_{i'k_i} = 0$  for any  $i' > i$ . In particular,  $B_{k_1, \dots, k_n} = 1$ .

In the expansion of the determinant  $G_{k_1, \dots, k_n}$ , appears the term  $g_{k_1 1} \cdot g_{k_2 2} \cdots g_{k_n n} = r \cdot (c_{11}^d)(c_{21}^{d-1}c_{22}) \cdots (c_i^{\alpha_i}) \cdots (c_n^{\alpha_n})$ , where  $r$  is a nonzero (positive) integer. Indeed, by (1), we have  $g_{11} = c_{11}^d$ ,  $g_{k_2 2} = dc_{21}^{d-1}c_{22}$  and, in general,  $g_{k_i i} = \text{some binomial coefficient} \cdot c_i^{\alpha_i}$ . We claim that  $m = (c_{11}^d)(c_{21}^{d-1}c_{22}) \cdots (c_i^{\alpha_i}) \cdots (c_n^{\alpha_n})$  doesn't appear again in the expansion of  $\Delta$ .

Since  $f_i \in k[x_1, \dots, x_n]$ , in the monomials in  $(c_{tl})$  of  $a_{ij}$  there are no  $c_{tl}$ 's with  $t < i$ . Also, all the monomials of  $f'_i$  contain variables  $x_t$  with  $t > i$ . Corresponding to them, in  $a_{ij}$ 's there are  $c_{tj}$ 's with  $t > i$ . Thus in  $a_{il}$  the only monomials in  $c_{i1}, \dots, c_{in}$  of degree  $d$  comes from  $\varphi(x_i^d) = (\sum_{j=1}^n c_{ij}x_j)^d$ , the other monomials being multiples of some  $c_{tl}$  with  $t > i$ . Consequently, in the expansion of  $\Delta$ , the monomials of the type  $c_1^{\beta_1} \cdots c_n^{\beta_n}$ , where  $\beta_1, \dots, \beta_n$  are multiindices with  $|\beta_1| = \cdots = |\beta_n| = d$  comes only from  $\varphi(x_1^d), \dots, \varphi(x_n^d)$ .

On the other hand, for any  $1 \leq i \leq n$ ,  $c_i^{\alpha_i}$  is unique between the monomials in  $c_{tl}$ 's from  $\varphi(x_n^d)$ , because they are of the type  $c_i^\gamma$ , where  $\gamma$  is a multiindex with  $|\gamma| = d$ . From these facts, it follows that the monomial  $m$  is unique in the monomial expansion of  $\Delta$  and occurs there with a nonzero coefficient. Thus  $\Delta \neq 0$  and by applying Lemma 2.4.3 we complete the proof of the theorem.  $\square$

**Remark 2.4.6.** In the case  $n = 2$  and  $n = 3$ ,  $J_d$  is revlex for any  $(n, d)$ -complete intersection. Indeed, in the case  $n = 2$ ,  $J$  itself is revlex since it is strongly stable. In the case  $n = 3$ , since  $|J_d| = 3$  and  $J$  is strongly stable, it follows that either (a)  $J_d = (x_1^d, x_1^{d-1}x_2, x_1^{d-2}x_2^2)$ , either (b)  $J_d = (x_1^d, x_1^{d-1}x_2, x_1^{d-1}x_3)$ . But in the case (b), the map  $(S/J)_{d-1} \xrightarrow{x_3} (S/J)_d$  is not injective, because  $x_1^{d-1} \neq 0$  in  $(S/J)_{d-1}$  and  $x_1^{d-1}x_3 = 0$  in  $(S/J)_d$ . This is a contradiction with the fact that  $x_3$  is a weak Lefschetz element on  $S/J$  and therefore,  $J_d$  is revlex.

**Lemma 2.4.7.** (a)  $a_{i1} = f_i(c_{11}, \dots, c_{n1})$  for all  $1 \leq i \leq n$ .

(b) If  $1 \leq l \leq n$  is an integer then the sequence  $a_{1l}, a_{2l}, \dots, a_{nl}$  is regular as a sequence of polynomials in  $K[c_{ij} \mid 1 \leq i, j \leq n]$ .

*Proof.* Substituting  $x_j = 0$  for  $j \neq 1$  in  $F_i$  we get (a). In order to prove (b), firstly notice that  $a_{1l}, a_{2l}, \dots, a_{nl}$  is a regular sequence on  $K[c_{11}, c_{21}, \dots, c_{n1}]$ , since  $f_1, \dots, f_n$  is a regular sequence on  $K[x_1, \dots, x_n]$  and  $c_{11}, c_{21}, \dots, c_{n1}$  are algebraically independent over  $K$ .

Let  $1 \leq l \leq n$  be an integer. We claim that

$$(*) \frac{K[c_{ij} \mid 1 \leq i, j \leq n]}{(a_{1l}, \dots, a_{nl}, c_{i1} - c_{ij}, 1 \leq i \leq n, 2 \leq j \leq n)} \cong \frac{K[c_{11}, c_{21}, \dots, c_{n1}]}{(a_{11}, a_{21}, \dots, a_{n1})}.$$

Indeed, by (1), if we put  $c_{ij} = c_{i1}$  for all  $1 \leq i \leq n$  and  $2 \leq j \leq n$  in the expansion of  $g_{kl}$  we obtain  $r_l \cdot g_{k1}$ , where  $r_l$  is a strictly positive integer, which depends only on  $l$ , and therefore,  $a_{il}$  became  $r_l \cdot a_{i1}$ . From (\*) it follows that  $a_{1l}, \dots, a_{nl}, c_{i1} - c_{ij}$  for  $1 \leq i \leq n, 2 \leq j \leq n$  is a system of parameters for  $K[c_{ij} | 1 \leq i, j \leq n]$  and thus  $a_{1l}, \dots, a_{nl}$  is a regular sequence on  $K[c_{ij} | 1 \leq i, j \leq n]$ , so we proved (b).  $\square$

As we noticed in Remark 2.4.6, for  $n = 3$ , the conclusion of Theorem 2.4.5 holds for any regular sequence  $f_1, f_2, f_3$  of homogeneous polynomials of degree  $d$ . In the following, we give another proof of this, without using the fact that  $S/(f_1, f_2, f_3)$  has the (WLP), i.e.  $x_3$  is a weak Lefschetz element for  $S/J$ . Also, we get the same conclusion for the case  $n = 4$  and  $d = 2$ . However, this approach do not works in the general case.

**Proposition 2.4.8.** (a) If  $f_1, f_2, f_3 \in K[x_1, x_2, x_3]$  is a regular sequence of homogeneous polynomials of degree  $d \geq 2$ ,  $I = (f_1, f_2, f_3)$  and  $J = \text{Gin}(I)$ , the generic initial ideal of  $I$ , with respect to the reverse lexicographical order, then  $J_d$  is a revlex set.

(b) If  $f_1, f_2, f_3, f_4 \in K[x_1, x_2, x_3, x_4]$  is a regular sequence of homogeneous polynomials of degree 2,  $I = (f_1, f_2, f_3, f_4)$  and  $J = \text{Gin}(I)$ , the generic initial ideal of  $I$ , with respect to the reverse lexicographical order, then  $J_2$  is a revlex set.

*Proof.* (a) Let  $A = (a_{ij})_{i,j=\overline{1,3}}$ . Since  $\text{Gin}(f_1, f_2)$  is strongly stable, it follows by Lemma 2.4.3 that  $\Delta_3 = \begin{vmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} \end{vmatrix} \neq 0$ . Analogously,  $\Delta_2 = \begin{vmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} \\ a_{31} & a_{32} \end{vmatrix} \neq 0$  and  $\Delta_1 = \begin{vmatrix} a_{21} & a_{22} \\ a_{31} & a_{32} \end{vmatrix} \neq 0$ . We have  $\Delta = a_{13}\Delta_1 - a_{23}\Delta_2 + a_{33}\Delta_3$ . Suppose  $\Delta = 0$ . It follows  $a_{13}\Delta_1 = a_{23}\Delta_2 - a_{33}\Delta_3$  and therefore, since  $a_{13}, a_{23}, a_{33}$  is a regular sequence in  $K[c_{ij} | i, j = \overline{1,3}]$ , we get  $\Delta_1 \in (a_{23}, a_{33})$ . The first three monomials of degree  $d$  in revlex order are  $x_1^d, x_1^{d-1}x_2$  and  $x_1^{d-2}x_2^2$ . It follows that the degree of  $a_{i1}, a_{i2}$  and  $a_{i3}$  in  $c_{21}, c_{22}, c_{23}$  is 0, 1, respectively 2, for any  $1 \leq i \leq 3$ . Therefore, the degree of  $\Delta_1$  in the variables  $c_{21}, c_{22}, c_{23}$  is 1, but the degree of  $a_{23}$  and  $a_{33}$  in  $c_{21}, c_{22}, c_{23}$  is 2, which is impossible, since  $\Delta_1 \in (a_{23}, a_{33})$ .

(b) Let  $A = (a_{ij})_{i,j=\overline{1,4}}$ . Since any three polynomials from  $f_1, f_2, f_3, f_4$  form a regular sequence, it follows from (a) that any  $3 \times 3$  minor of the matrix  $\tilde{A} = (a_{ij})_{\substack{i=\overline{1,4} \\ j=\overline{1,3}}}$  is nonzero.

Let  $\Delta_i$  be the minor obtained from  $\tilde{A}$  by erasing the  $i$ -row. Suppose  $\Delta = 0$ . It follows that  $a_{14}\Delta_1 = a_{24}\Delta_2 - a_{34}\Delta_3 + a_{44}\Delta_4$  and therefore, since  $a_{14}, a_{24}, a_{34}, a_{44}$  is a regular sequence in  $K[c_{ij} | i, j = \overline{1,4}]$ , we get  $\Delta_1 \in (a_{24}, a_{34}, a_{44})$ . Since the first 4 monomials in revlex are  $x_1^2, x_1x_2, x_2^2, x_1x_3$ , we get a contradiction from the fact that the degree of  $\Delta_1$  in the variables  $c_{31}, c_{32}, c_{33}, c_{34}$  is zero, but the degree of  $a_{24}, a_{34}, a_{44}$  in  $c_{31}, c_{32}, c_{33}, c_{34}$  is 1.  $\square$

**Remark 2.4.9.** The hypothesis that  $K$  is a field with  $\text{char}(K) = 0$  is essential. Indeed, suppose  $\text{char}(K) = p$  and  $I = (x_1^p, x_2^p) \subset K[x_1, x_2]$ . Then, simply using the definition of the generic initial ideal, we get  $\text{Gin}(I) = I$  and, obviously,  $I_p = \{x_1^p, x_2^p\}$  is not revlex.

Also, the hypothesis that  $f_1, \dots, f_n$  is a regular sequence of homogeneous polynomials is essential. Let  $I = (f_1, f_2, f_3) \subset K[x_1, x_2, x_3]$ , where  $f_1 = x_1^2, f_2 = x_1x_2$  and  $f_3 = x_1x_3$ . In order to compute the generic initial ideal of  $I$  we can take a generic transformation of coordinates with an upper triangular matrix, i.e.  $x_1 \mapsto x_1, x_2 \mapsto x_2 + c_{12}x_1, x_3 \mapsto$

$x_3 + c_{23}x_2 + c_{13}x_1$ , where  $c_{ij} \in K$  for all  $i, j$  (see [18, §15.9]). We get

$$F_1(x_1, x_2, x_3) := f_1(x_1, x_2 + c_{12}x_1, x_3 + c_{23}x_2 + c_{13}x_1) = x_1^2,$$

$$F_2(x_1, x_2, x_3) := f_2(x_1, x_2 + c_{12}x_1, x_3 + c_{23}x_2 + c_{13}x_1) = c_{12}x_1^2 + x_1x_2,$$

$$F_3(x_1, x_2, x_3) := f_3(x_1, x_2 + c_{12}x_1, x_3 + c_{23}x_2 + c_{13}x_1) = c_{13}x_1^2 + c_{23}x_1x_2 + x_1x_3.$$

The generic initial ideal of  $I$ ,  $J = \text{in}(F_1, F_2, F_3)$  satisfies  $J_2 = I_2$ , but  $I_2$  is not revlex.

## 2.5 Several examples of computation of the Gin.

Let  $I = (f_1, \dots, f_n) \subset S = K[x_1, \dots, x_n]$  be an ideal generated by a regular sequence  $f_1, \dots, f_n \in S$  of homogeneous polynomials of degree  $d$ . Let  $J = \text{Gin}(I)$  be the generic initial ideal of  $I$ , with respect to the revlex order.

In section 2.3, the case  $n = 3$  and  $d \geq 2$  was treated completely, when  $S/(f_1, f_2, f_3)$  has (SLP), see Proposition 2.3.3. In the following, we discuss some particular cases with  $n \geq 4$ .

**The case  $n = 4$ ,  $d = 2$ .** We assume that  $S/I$  has (SLP). From Wiebe's Theorem, it follows that  $x_4$  is a strong Lefschetz element for  $S/J$ . For a positive integer  $k$ , we denote  $\text{Shad}(J_k) = \{x_1, \dots, x_n\}J_k$ . We have  $H(S/J, t) = (1+t)^4 = 1 + 4t + 6t^2 + 4t^3 + t^4$ .

We have  $|J_2| = 4$ . From Proposition 2.4.8,  $J_2$  is revlex, therefore

$$J_2 = \{x_1^2, x_1x_2, x_2^2, x_1x_3\} = \{\{x_1, x_2\}^2, x_1x_3\}.$$

We have  $|\text{Shad}(J_2)| = 12$ . On the other hand,  $|J_3| = 16$ , so we need to add 4 new generators at  $\text{Shad}(J_2)$  to get  $J_3$ . If we add a new monomial which is divisible by  $x_4^2$ , then the map  $(S/J)_1 \xrightarrow{x_4^2} (S/J)_3$ , will be no longer injective. Since  $|(S/J)_1| = |(S/J)_3|$ , we get a contradiction with the fact that  $x_4$  is a strong Lefschetz element for  $S/J$ . But there exists only 16 monomials in  $S$  which are not multiple of  $x_4^2$ . Thus

$$J_3 = \{\{x_1, x_2, x_3\}^3, x_4\{x_1, x_2, x_3\}^2\}, \text{ and therefore}$$

$$\text{Shad}(J_3) = \{\{x_1, x_2, x_3\}^4, x_4\{x_1, x_2, x_3\}^3, x_4^2\{x_1, x_2, x_3\}^2\}.$$

Since  $|\text{Shad}(J_3)| = 31$  and  $|J_4| = |S_4| - |(S/J)_4| = 35 - 1 = 34$  we have to add 3 new generators at  $\text{Shad}(J_3)$  in order to get  $J_4$ . Since  $J$  is strongly stable, these new generators are  $x_4^3x_1$ ,  $x_4^3x_2$  and  $x_4^3x_3$ . So

$$J_4 = \{x_1, x_2, x_3, x_4\}^4 \setminus \{x_4^4\}. \text{ We get } \text{Shad}(J_4) = \{x_1, x_2, x_3, x_4\}^5 \setminus \{x_4^5\}$$

and since  $J_5 = S_5$  it follows that we must add  $x_4^5$  at  $\text{Shad}(J_4)$  to obtain  $J_5$ . From now on, we cannot add any new monomial.  $J$  is the ideal generated by all monomials added at some step  $k$  to  $\text{Shad}(J_k)$ , thus we proved the following proposition:

**Proposition 2.5.1.** *If  $I = (f_1, f_2, f_3, f_4)$  is an ideal generated by a regular sequence of homogeneous polynomials  $f_1, f_2, f_3, f_4 \in S = k[x_1, x_2, x_3, x_4]$  of degree 2 such that the algebra  $S/I$  has (SLP) then the generic initial ideal of  $I$  with respect to the revlex order is*

$$J = (x_1^2, x_1x_2, x_2^2, x_1x_3, x_2x_3^3, x_3^3, x_3^2x_4, x_3x_4^2, x_4^3x_1, x_4^3x_2, x_4^3x_3, x_4^5).$$

*In particular, this assertion holds for a generic sequence of homogeneous polynomials  $f_1, f_2, f_3, f_4 \in S$  or if  $f_i \in k[x_i, \dots, x_4]$ ,  $1 \leq i \leq 4$ .*

**The case  $n = 5, d = 2$ .** In the following, we suppose that  $S/I$  has (SLP), so  $x_5$  is a strong Lefschetz element for  $S/J$ . Also, we suppose that  $J_2$  is revlex. We have  $H(S/J, t) = (1+t)^5 = 1 + 5t + 10t^2 + 10t^3 + 5t^4 + t^5$ . We have  $|J_2| = 5$ . Since  $J_2$  is revlex from the assumption, we have  $J_2 = \{x_1, x_2\}^2, x_3\{x_1, x_2\}$ . So

$$Shad(J_2) = \{\{x_1, x_2\}^3, \{x_1, x_2\}^2\{x_3, x_4, x_5\}, x_3\{x_1, x_2\}\{x_3, x_4, x_5\}\}.$$

We have  $|Shad(J_2)| = 19$ . On the other hand  $|J_3| = |S_3| - |(S/J)_3| = 35 - 10 = 25$ , so we must add 6 new generators, from a list of 16 monomials, at  $Shad(J_2)$  to get  $J_3$ .

Since  $x_5$  is a strong Lefschetz element for  $S/J$  it follows that we cannot add any monomial of the form  $x_5 \cdot m$ , where  $m$  is nonzero in  $(S/J)_2$  because, in that case, the map  $(S/J)_2 \xrightarrow{x_5} (S/J)_3$  will be no longer injective. But there are  $|(S/J)_2| = 10$  such monomials  $m$ . Therefore, we must add the remaining 6 monomials,  $x_3^3, x_3^2x_4, x_1x_4^2, x_2x_4^2, x_3x_4^2, x_4^3$ . Thus

$$J_3 = \{\{x_1, x_2, x_3, x_4\}^3, x_5(\{x_1, x_2, x_3\}^2 \setminus \{x_3^2\})\}. \text{ Therefore :}$$

$$Shad(J_3) = \{\{x_1, x_2, x_3, x_4\}^4, x_5\{x_1, x_2, x_3, x_4\}^3, x_5^2(\{x_1, x_2, x_3\}^2 \setminus \{x_3^2\})\}.$$

We have  $|Shad(J_3)| = 60$  and  $|J_4| = |S_4| - |(S/J)_4| = 70 - 5 = 65$ . So we need to add 5 new generators at  $Shad(J_3)$  to get  $J_4$ . If we add a monomial which is divisible by  $x_5^3$  we obtain a contradiction from the fact that the map  $(S/J)_1 \xrightarrow{x_5^3} (S/J)_4$  is no longer injective. Therefore, we must add:  $x_3^2x_5^2, x_1x_4x_5^2, x_2x_4x_5^2, x_3x_4x_5^2, x_4^2x_5^2$ , and so

$$J_4 = \{\{x_1, x_2, x_3, x_4\}^4, x_5\{x_1, x_2, x_3, x_4\}^3, x_5^2\{x_1, x_2, x_3, x_4\}^2\}.$$

$$\text{So } Shad(J_4) = \{\{x_1, x_2, x_3, x_4\}^5, \dots, x_5^3\{x_1, x_2, x_3, x_4\}^2\}.$$

We have  $|J_5| - |Shad(J_4)| = 4$ , so we must add 4 new generators at  $Shad(J_4)$  to get  $J_5$ . Since  $J$  is strongly stable, these new generators are:  $x_5^4x_1, x_5^4x_2, x_5^4x_3, x_5^4x_4$ . Therefore  $J_5 = \{\{x_1, \dots, x_5\}^5 \setminus \{x_5^5\}\}$ . Finally, we must add  $x_5^6$  to  $Shad(J_5)$  in order to obtain  $J_6$ . We proved the following proposition, with the help of [6, Theorem 1.2] and Theorem 2.4.5.

**Proposition 2.5.2.** *If  $I = (f_1, f_2, \dots, f_5) \subset K[x_1, \dots, x_5]$  is an ideal generated by a generic (regular) sequence of homogeneous polynomials of degree 2 or if  $f_1, f_2, \dots, f_5$  is a regular sequence of homogeneous polynomials of degree 2 with  $f_i \in K[x_i, \dots, x_5]$  for  $i = 1, \dots, 5$  then  $J = Gin(I)$  the generic initial ideal of  $I$  with respect to the revlex order is:*

$$J = (x_1^2, x_1x_2, x_2^2, x_1x_3, x_2x_3, x_3^3, x_3^2x_4, x_1x_4^2, x_2x_4^2, x_3x_4^2, x_4^3, x_3^2x_5^2, x_1x_4x_5^2, x_2x_4x_5^2, x_3x_4x_5^2, x_4^2x_5^2, x_5^4x_1, x_5^4x_2, x_5^4x_3, x_5^4x_4, x_5^6)$$

**The case  $n = 4, d = 3$ .** We suppose that  $S/I$  has (SLP), so  $x_4$  is a strong Lefschetz element for  $S/J$ . Also, we suppose that  $J_3$  is revlex.

We have  $H(S/J, t) = (1 + t + t^2)^4 = (1 + 2t + 3t^2 + 2t^3 + t^4)^2 =$

$$= 1 + 4t + 10t^2 + 16t^3 + 19t^4 + 16t^5 + 10t^6 + 4t^7 + t^8.$$

Since  $|J_3| = 4$  and  $J_3$  is revlex, it follows that  $J_3 = \{x_1, x_2\}^3$ . Therefore, we have  $Shad(J_3) = \{\{x_1, x_2\}^4, \{x_1, x_2\}^3\{x_3, x_4\}\}$ . Since  $|J_4| - |Shad(J_3)| = 4$ , we must add 4 new generators to  $Shad(J_3)$  to obtain  $J_4$ . Since  $x_4$  is a strong Lefschetz element for  $S/J$  we cannot add any monomial of the form  $x_4 \cdot m$ , where  $m \neq 0$  in  $J_3$ . Therefore, since  $J$  is strongly stable, we have to choose 3 monomials from the list  $x_3^2\{x_1, x_2\}^2, x_3^3\{x_1, x_2\}, x_3^4$ . There are two different chooses: either we add (I)  $x_3^2\{x_1, x_2\}^2$ , either (II)  $x_3^2x_1\{x_1, x_2, x_3\}$ .

In the case (I), we get  $J_4 = \{\{x_1, x_2\}^4, \{x_1, x_2\}^3\{x_3, x_4\}, x_3^2\{x_1, x_2\}^2\}$ , so

$$Shad(J_4) = \{\{x_1, x_2\}^5, \{x_1, x_2\}^4\{x_3, x_4\}, \{x_1, x_2\}^3\{x_3, x_4\}^2, x_3^2\{x_3, x_4\}\{x_1, x_2\}^2\}.$$

Since  $|J_5| - |Shad(J_4)| = 40 - 34 = 6$ , we need to add 6 new generators at  $Shad(J_4)$  to get  $J_5$ . Since  $x_4$  is a strong Lefschetz element for  $S/J$  we cannot add any monomial of the form  $x_4^2m$ , where  $m$  is a nonzero monomial in  $J_3$ . So, we must add:  $x_3^4\{x_1, x_2, x_3\}, x_4x_3^3\{x_1, x_2, x_3\}$ . Thus  $J_5 = \{\{x_1, x_2, x_3\}^5, x_4\{x_1, x_2, x_3\}^4, x_4^2\{x_1, x_2\}^3\}$ .

In the case (II), we have  $J_4 = \{\{x_1, x_2\}^4, \{x_1, x_2\}^3\{x_3, x_4\}, x_1x_3^2\{x_1, x_2, x_3\}\}$ , so  $Shad(J_4)$  is the set  $\{\{x_1, x_2\}^5, \{x_1, x_2\}^4\{x_3, x_4\}, \{x_1, x_2\}^3\{x_3, x_4\}^2, x_3^2x_1\{x_3, x_4\}\{x_1, x_2\}, x_3^3x_1\{x_3, x_4\}\}$ . Since  $|J_5| - |Shad(J_4)| = 40 - 34 = 6$ , we must add 6 new generators at  $Shad(J_4)$  to get  $J_5$ . Since  $x_4$  is a strong-Lefschetz element for  $S/J$ , we cannot add any monomial of the form  $x_4^2m$ , where  $m \neq 0$  in  $J_3$ . So, we must add:  $x_3^3x_2^2, x_4^3x_2, x_3^5, x_4x_3^2x_2^2, x_4x_3^3x_2, x_4x_4^4$ . Thus

$$J_5 = \{\{x_1, x_2, x_3\}^5, x_4\{x_1, x_2, x_3\}^4, x_4^2\{x_1, x_2\}^3\},$$

the same as in the case (I). Thus, in both cases (I) and (II), we get:

$$Shad(J_5) = \{\{x_1, x_2, x_3\}^6, x_4\{x_1, x_2, x_3\}^5, x_4^2\{x_1, x_2, x_3\}^4, x_4^3\{x_1, x_2\}^3\}.$$

Since  $|Shad(J_5)| = |S_6| - 16$  and  $|J_6| = |S_6| - 10$ , we must add 6 new generators to  $Shad(J_5)$  in order to obtain  $J_6$ . Since  $x_4$  is a strong-Lefschetz element for  $S/J$ , these new generators are not divisible by  $x_4^4$ . So, we add  $x_4^3x_3\{x_1, x_2\}^2, x_4^3x_3^2\{x_1, x_2\}, x_4^3x_3^3$  and thus,

$$J_6 = \{\{x_1, x_2, x_3\}^6, x_4\{x_1, x_2, x_3\}^5, x_4^2\{x_1, x_2, x_3\}^4, x_4^3\{x_1, x_2, x_3\}^3\}.$$

$$Shad(J_6) = \{\{x_1, x_2, x_3\}^7, x_4\{x_1, x_2, x_3\}^6, \dots, x_4^4\{x_1, x_2, x_3\}^3\}.$$

$|S_7| - |Shad(J_6)| = 6 + 4 = 10$  and  $|S_7| - |J_7| = 4$ , so we must add 6 new generators at  $Shad(J_6)$  to get  $J_7$ . Using the same argument, these new generators must be  $x_4^5\{x_1, x_2, x_3\}^2$  and therefore  $J_7 = \{\{x_1, x_2, x_3\}^7, x_4\{x_1, x_2, x_3\}^6, \dots, x_4^5\{x_1, x_2, x_3\}^2\}$ . We get

$$Shad(J_7) = \{\{x_1, x_2, x_3\}^8, x_4\{x_1, x_2, x_3\}^7, \dots, x_4^6\{x_1, x_2, x_3\}^2\}.$$

Since  $|S_8| - |Shad(J_7)| = 4$  and  $|S_8| - |J_8| = 1$ , we must add 3 new generators at  $Shad(J_7)$  in order to get  $J_8$ . Since  $x_4$  is strong-Lefschetz, these new generators are  $x_4^7\{x_1, x_2, x_3\}$ , so  $J_8 = \{x_1, x_2, x_3, x_4\}^8 \setminus \{x_4^8\}$ . Finally, we must add  $x_4^9$  to  $Shad(J_8)$  in order to obtain  $J_9$ . We proved the following proposition, with the help of [6, Theorem 1.2] and Theorem 2.4.5.

**Proposition 2.5.3.** *If  $I = (f_1, f_2, f_3, f_4) \subset K[x_1, x_2, x_3, x_4]$  is an ideal generated by a generic (regular) sequence of homogeneous polynomials of degree 3 or if  $f_1, f_2, f_3, f_4$  is a regular sequence of homogeneous polynomials of degree 3 with  $f_i \in k[x_i, \dots, x_4]$ , for  $i = 1, \dots, 4$ , then  $J = \text{Gin}(I)$  the generic initial ideal of  $I$  with respect to the revlex order has one of the following forms:*

$$\begin{aligned}
 (I) \quad & J = (\{x_1, x_2\}^3, x_3^2\{x_1, x_2\}^2, x_3^4\{x_1, x_2, x_3\}, x_4x_3^3\{x_1, x_2, x_3\}, \\
 & x_4^3x_3\{x_1, x_2\}^2, x_4^3x_3^2\{x_1, x_2\}, x_4^3x_3^3, x_4^5\{x_1, x_2, x_3\}^2, x_4^7\{x_1, x_2, x_3\}, x_4^9) \\
 (II) \quad & J = (\{x_1, x_2\}^3, x_3^2x_1\{x_1, x_2, x_3\}, x_3^3x_2^2, x_3^4x_2, x_3^5, x_4x_3^2x_2^2, x_4x_3^3x_2, x_4x_3^4, \\
 & x_4^3x_3\{x_1, x_2\}^2, x_4^3x_3^2\{x_1, x_2\}, x_4^3x_3^3, x_4^5\{x_1, x_2, x_3\}^2, x_4^7\{x_1, x_2, x_3\}, x_4^9)
 \end{aligned}$$

**Remark 2.5.4.** *It seems Conca-Herzog-Hibi noticed in [15], page 838, that, if  $f_1, f_2, f_3, f_4$  is a generic sequence of homogeneous polynomials of degree 3 then the generic initial ideal  $J$  has the form (I), and  $J = \text{Gin}(x_1^3, x_2^3, x_3^3, x_4^3)$  has the form (II).*



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